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## Bring Down Your Steam Cost In Spite of High Coal Prices

THE U. S. FUEL ADMINISTRATORS SAY! To Owners of Industrial Plants

"Every steam plant consuming five (5) tons of coal per day should employ some adequate method of checking its boiler and furnace efficiency. The price of ignorance is waste. These must be replaced by Knowledge and

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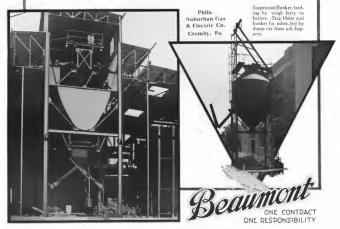
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Economics of Electric Trucking

One way to increase our productive industrial force is to release men from work that can just as well be done by machinery or mechanical devices. There are many American factories that are just beginning to study the economics of trucking and Mr. Myers has drawn helpful illustrations from a number of plants.

Graphic Control of Production

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Mastering Power Production—IV

This installment begins a careful presentation of the functions and duties of labor in the economical generation of power.

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The Generation of Power

A discussion of power generation from the particular viewpoint of the factory economist. The importance of such a consideration at the present time is in the minds of every one because of the fuel conditions that have existed in the Eastern half of the country during the first three months of the year.

International Standardization

By Herbert T. Wade

Because of the advisability of having many parts of items of war material produced in this country duplicate similar parts of French and British manufacture, we have the beginnings of international standardization of the proportions of machine parts. A little imagination helps us to picture the advantages of continuing this process during the years of peace. The principle that should be followed and the basis upon which the work should be started are outlined by

Mr. Wade.

Depreciation in Industrial Appraisement

By Charles W. McKay

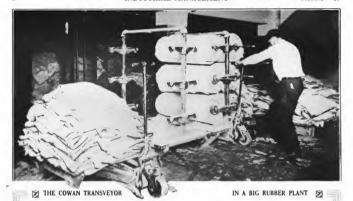
There are four principal causes for the depreciation of industrial property.

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Instituting Standard Factory Practice By Willard S. Worcester First the repetation of standard practice and instructions, with information as to their application and use, and second the means and methods used to put these into effect in industry.

Personnel Administration of the Thomas A. Edison Interests

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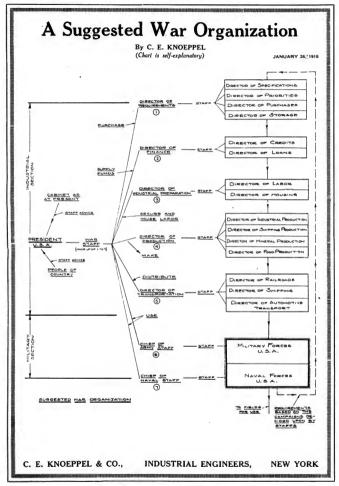
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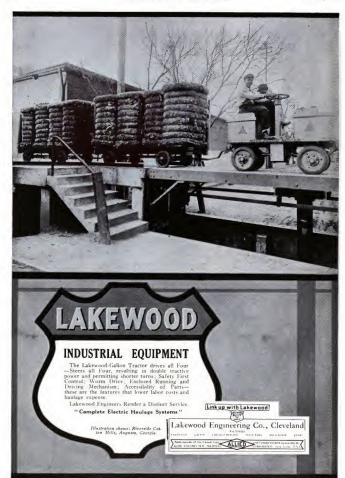
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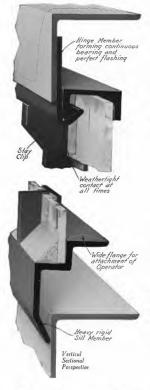


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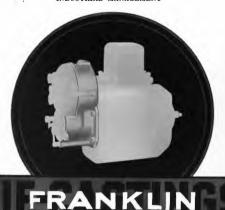
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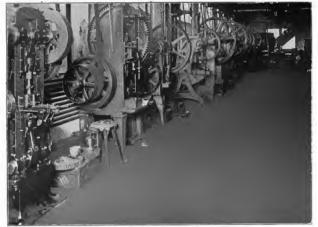
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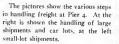


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## War Protection for Industrial Plants

Duties of Owners and Employers in Protecting American Factories Against Sabotage and Disloval Propaganda

> By Hon. Thomas W. Gregory Attorney General of the United States

American manufacturers have a more serious responsibility today for the protection of their plants than ever before. The chief dangers are those developing from within, not those coming from without. To aid the nation and our fighting forces industrial damage must be prevented; imposing a penalty on the unilty after a plant has been destroyed does not further our prosecution of the war.

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legal firm of which he was the principal member was employed by the State of Texas as special counsel in various suits for violating anti-trust laws during the period 1908 to 1913; during 1913 he was special assistant to the Attorney General of the United States in charge of the investigation and prosecution of officials of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company. Since August 29, 1914, he has been Attorney General of the United States in the Cabinet of President Wilson. His department has the responsibility for prosecuting cases involving substage and dislavality.

THE people of the United States have pledged themselves to see this war through to the last dollar and to the last man. Before us lies an untold sacrifice of blood and treasure, much sorrow and heart-rending disaster, but the road is plain and leads to but one result

This high pledge of everything that we have imposes upon manufacturers a more serious responsibility for the conserving and protection of their plants than has ever before been known. In reality, the war has made every manufacturer a partner of the soldier and sailor. Prior to the war damage to a plant or producing equipment was a private matter. If loss occurred the owner looked to the insurance companies for a large measure of recompense. Now that we are at war damage to plants has ceased to be a private matter. It is one in which the people as a whole are deeply interested. So far as the public interests are concerned, and so far as the welfare of our military forces are involved, no amount of money paid to a manufacturer can repair the loss of destroyed means of production. At the present time, perhaps as never before, time is the essence for success in our struggle for the preservation of our country and its national life. Every improvement in manufacturing processes, every advance in the means for reaching a military decision, every hour gained in speeding up pro-

duction, shortens the war and saves American lives. In sharp contrast every loss and curtailment in production by damage done to manufacturing plants means lost time-delay-for which no amount of money can ever make up; and delay means inadequate military equipment, and inadequate military equipment for our army and navy means the loss of precious human life.

THE PURPOSE TO INJURE THE UNITED STATES

We know the temper and unbridled brutality of our enemy. While we were neutral, struggling to keep free from the conflict, diplomatic and consular representatives of the German government in this country endeavored to wreck factories and railroads, attempted to debauch our officials and people, planned to embroil us in war with our neighbors and even tried to foment retellion among our own citizens.

The purpose from which those acts came is still seeking internal injury to the United States

However, it is unwise to attribute every large fire in industrial plants, or among stores of manufactured materials, or along our waterfronts to the act of enemy agents, although it is very natural to suspect their activities. A recent case is the large fire at Newark, New Jersey, which was alleged to have been caused by our established the fact that it had other origin. But industrial loss through carelessness is as serious in its delaying effects as if the damage were caused by German spies.

Much less has been said and written of the danger from disloyal propaganda than concerning sabotage. It is sufficient to say here that the former is a most serious menace, much more so than manufacturers appreciate, and that the Department of Justice has been taking active and effective steps in its suppression.

#### MANUFACTURERS MUST PROTECT THEMSELVES

Statistics show that the chief dangers menacing private manufacturing plants are those which orginate or are developed within their own boundaries. The real protection needed is protection within the plant itself. And the prime responsibility for the internal protection of workshops and factories rests, as it always has rested before, upon the owners and managers.

The executives who are operating a plant have the best opportunity of knowing what persons are entitled to access to their premises, and of identifying those who are to be admitted. They likewise have the best opportunity of knowing the need of fire protection as well as for sufficient watchmen. Primarily it is their duty and not that of the central government at Washington to see that their plants increase the fire protection facilities, to feel out the sentiments of their employees, to take all possible precautions to prevent the spread of disloyal propaganda and to prevent possible injury to buildings and equipment. It should be their aim, as it is the aim of the government, to prevent damage rather than wait until damage is done and then impose penalties for losses that cannot be repaired.

The Department of Justice frequently receives requests from plants asking that military guards be furnished by the government. The War Department receives a much larger number of similar requests from manufacturers who apparently take the position that inasmuch as they are producing war material they are enfurnished by the United States. In most cases this is an entirely wrong point of view. The establishment of a military guard will not protect the plant against carelessness or malicious damage from within which have caused most of the loss in industrial plants since the beginning of the war. For example, the existence of a military guard in some cases has created a false sense of security instead of intensifying watchfulness in the plants. There are many spots, particularly at the seaports, where the collection of a large mass of war material practically constitutes the establishment of an army base. For the protection of these large stores of supplies the government has created protected areas which, by direction of the President, are receiving military protection in the form of an armed patrol furnished by the War Department, or supplied by the State authorities acting in cooperation with the War Department. In view of the particular character of the industry, certain shipbuilding plants are likewise receiving military protection. But that military protection should not be asked of the government outside of the lines laid out above.

#### MUNITION MANUFACTURERS HAVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF GOVERNMENT AGENTS

No government has, or can have, either the manpower, the physical means or the administrative machinery in a war of the present magnitude for supplying the precautionary methods needed in and about the innu-

merable plants manufacturing war materials and supplies. Owners or managers engaged in the manufacture, storage or transportation of war material should recognize the fact that they have had imposed upon them what amounts to the responsibility of government agents. They should frankly realize this and assume the attitude of providing in their plants extraordinary precautions. They have the right to ask ample police protection from local authorities, but that alone will not safeguard the interests involved. They have the right to call upon the government for all possible aid in ferreting out the sources of danger, but they have no right to ask the government to assume the responsibility for the work of internal police administration within their premises.

It is gratifying to be able to state that it has been the constant experience of the Department of Justice, and other departments of the government, that the great majority of plant owners have been quick to recognize the situation and act accordingly. But, on the other hand, there are many manufacturers who fail to take this view of the situation, vital though it is.

#### Violation of Industrial Rules By Chesla C. Sherlock

Attorney at Law

OMPENSATION is denied under the workmen's Compensation Act if the injury is the result of the "serious and wilful misconduct" of the employee. The question of whether a violation of rules laid down by the employer amounts to such serious and wilful misconduct as to defeat recovery of compensation, is of great interest to employers.

The mere fact that an employee has disobeyed an express order of his employer is not sufficient to prevent him receiving compensation for any injury which he might have suffered. To permit this construction on the statute would be to return to the old days of chaos prior to the enactment of the compensation acts.

Inasmuch as the majority of the compensation acts do not expressly treat of this subject, it is evident that if the employee is not to receive compensation it must be denied him on the ground that his violation of the rules amounted to serious and wilful misconduct. Employers can readily appreciate the task that is before the courts in each case because of this necessity. Because of the situation mentioned, it is necessary for each case to stand on the circumstances peculiar to itself.

#### THE ENGLISH ATTITUDE

The English courts in speaking of the English act. which is the parent of our laws on the subject, said in so many words that a violation of rules is not serious and wilful misconduct. Our own California court has said that a violation of each and every rule which the employer has formulated for the protection of his employees is not, in itself, serious and wilful misconduct.

It is not, however, possible for us to stop here. It is very probable and, indeed, extremely likely that in a majority of cases where the employee violates rules he is guilty of serious misconduct.

Such a violation of rules must have been wilful This, of course, implies that the employee had knowledge of the existence of such rule; that he deliberately and with premeditation set himself in opposition to the authority of his superiors. The courts have hastened to say, however, that where a workman wilfully violates his employer's rules, but with the intention at the time of furthering the employer's interests, such a violation will not amount to a serious and wilful misconduct so as to defeat a recovery of compensation.

The courts have drawn a sharp distinction, from the employer's standpoint, in regard to the violation of rules, which should be kept in mind. They have said that where the employer strictly enforces all rules and does so at all times, that a disobedience of them by an employee will, other considerations being equal, amount to wilful misconduct. On the other hand, they have also said that where the employer is lax in enforcing his rules, or does so only in a dilatory or nominal manner, a violation of them will not amount to wilful misconduct on the part of the employee.

#### A CALIFORNIA CASE

In a California case it was said that a definition of "wilful misconduct" applicable to all cases cannot be formulated. "It may be stated in a general way that the wilful violation of a rule or order made for the employee's own safety, or the safety of others, and made by a power having authority to make such rule or order, and enforced with diligence will constitute wilful misconduct. There must be a rule or order, as distinguished from a warning. It must have been diligently enforced. It must appear that the employee is refractory, or intentionally or premeditatedly disobedient, in order to constitute wilfulness."

It is unquestionably the opinion of the courts that if an employee violates a rule made for his own safety or protection from serious bodily harm, he is guilty of misconduct; if the violation is deliberate and premeditated, then the violation amounts to wilful misconduct. If would not be consistent with the purposes of the compensation acts to allow a workman, who was acquainted with all the dangers surrounding a violation of a rule formulated for his own protection, to recover compensation for injuries received because of his own disobedient act. This would be too close to an allowance of compensation for self-inflicted injuries, which is cx-pressly forbidden by the compensation sets themselves.

#### VIOLATION OF SAFETY RULES

It is a general rule that a violation of safety rules laid down for the protection of employees engaged in hazardous occupations, is wilful misconduct. If there is no rule, an act by an employee which imperils his own safety is not wilful misconduct, unless it amounts to foolhardiness or dare-devitty.

A failure of an electric lineman to wear a safety belt and rubber gloves, when such are required by his employer's rules, is a serious and wilful misconduct such as to defeat recovery for injuries received because of such violation.

The question of disobedience of orders involves slightly different construction on the part of the courts. While they seem to be reasonably clear in their interpretation of a violation of a fixed, known and positive rule, they are not so well settled in their opinions as to the effect of a disobedience of a direct command or order.

Some courts have, apparently without any reason, other than a desire to see a widow compensated, awarded compensation where a workman had violated an order, which, if given in the form of a rule, would have prevented him or his dependents receiving any compensation at all.

#### A MASSACHUSETTS CASE

In a Massachusetts case, a workman was employed to do some painting near machinery in motion. He was given express orders not to attempt painting behind such machinery until at the noon hour when it would be stopped. The workman commenced to paint behind the machinery, however, within five minutes after receiving such order, was caught in the multiand killed. The Arbitration Committee awarded compensation. It is very clear that if such instructions had been given in the form of a rule, that this employee would have gone without compensation, as his disobedience was beyond doubt deliberate and wilful.

Lord Trayner, in speaking of a disobedience of orders, has more nearly expressed the universal opinion, when he said: "I cannot figure anything more serious or wilful than positive and intentional disobedience to

a strict and positive order.

Where the employer has been lax and permitted a violation of rules or orders in the past, it is not wilful misconduct for an employee to violate them in the present instance. The courts impose no uncertain obligation on employers in this respect. Where one employs labor in hazardous occupations, he is duty bound to offer a workman instructions as to his own protection and to formulate rules for the workman's guidance. If the employer has not done this, or has not enforced those rules given, then he cannot defend on the ground of the employee's misconduct.

#### OBLIGATION TO POST RULES

The further obligation is placed on employers to properly post such rules or see that they are brought to the attention of the workmen. Said the Lord President in an English case: "I think it goes without saying that a rule not properly posted is really no rule at all; it is merely a piece of paper in the employer's pocket, so to speak, and no question of breach can arise until the rule is posted."

In the final analysis, this question of the violation of rules is purely one of fact. To say that the mere violation of a rule, in itself, was sufficient to deny compensation would controvert the whole theory of the law. Said Lord Loreburn: "In my opinion it is not the province of the court to lay down that a breach of a rule is prima facie evidence of serious and wilful misconduct. That is a question purely of fact, to be determined by the arbitrator as such."

### Engineers in Government Service NGINEERING Council, through its American En-

incering Service Committee, has during the past few months supplied to various Government departments and bureaus in response to their requests, several thousand names of engineers from which were to be selected to fill a great variety of positions in uniformed and civilian service for Army and Navy and other branches of the Government's activities in connection with the war, as well as for indirect service for manufacturers and contractors engaged upon Government war work.

To meet these demands the American Engineering Service Committee has assembled in its offices in the Engineering Societies Building, New York, extensive lasts and much detailed information concerning engineers in all branches of the profession throughout the length and breadth of Jand.

Engineers reading these lines, to whom this request applies, are urged to send at once their names, present addresses and occupations in the Government service, with brief statement as to whether or not they are available for other service, to American Engineering Service Committee, Room 901, 29 West 39th Street, New York. Other readers are asked to bring this request to the attention of such engineers or to send information directly to the committee.

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### Operation Diagrams for the Executive

### How the Manufacturer of War Material Can Visualize Processes By Adalbert R. De Kuzelewski

Shop executives who do not handle the tools of production, but who are responsible for keeping everything moving, often need to refer to the general plans of production operations, monalcoturing machinet, tools and agaze. This article gives a method of concentrating all this information an compact operation diagrams, the example illustrated is a cylinder of a Russion automobile engine.

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HILE the busy executive as a rule is not supposed to look into the details of manufacturing, and the main problem confronting him is the selection of competent assistants to take care of this end of the business in an efficient way, nevertheless, in order to see whether every department is being run properly, it is necessary for him every once in a while to have the means to analyze the most minute details of the shop without wasting too much of his valuable time. Besides, the important task of keeping the different departments well balanced in regard to each other-that is, to avoid shop conditions due to which, for instance, the screw-machine department would work double shift while there would be a number of milling machines standing idle-can only be done successfully by the man in full charge. To do this requires ways and means of having a picture, a description of shop details ready within reach of his hand, to get hold of the necessary data immediately and be able to give orders which can be carried out and bring results.

To achieve this end, the executive, whether he is the president, the works manager, the shop superintendent or the chief engineer, must have the data in such shape that every detail can be understood at a glance and located in a few seconds without going into an elaborate system of filing cabinets, card indexes, loose leaf binders or the like. Having all this in view, we have devised a special system of machine-shop operation diagrams which will be explained below. This system has been carried out with excellent results at the offices and shops of the Russo-Baltic Car Works Company, a large Russian concern manufacturing military automobiles and 16-passegre aeroplanes, having an office in New York City where the purchasing of machines and designing of special equipment is being done.

#### THE CYLINDER DRAWINGS

After all necessary operations to be performed on a given part—for example let us take the standard cylinder for the automobile engine—were determined upon, all the jigs, fixtures and appliances and small tools designed, laid out and made in the shops, every single operation was drawn up separately on a sheet about 12 x 18 inches in size supplied with necessary margins to allow for loose leaf perforation. These drawings have no dimensions, but show explicitly the way the cylinder is placed in the fixture or the jig, the way of locating and clamping, the way the fixture is fastened on the machine, and show a picture of the entire manufacturing problem and all the appliances used.

Six sheets (four reproduced herewith) take all twenty-three operations (see Table I) necessary to get the cylinder machined ready for assembling, except such simple processes as sand blasting or cleaning, where no' special equipment is required. They show, in a clear way, the idea of each jig, the kind and number of tools which go with it in a way to be understood by anyone who has a general idea of machine-shop work, but without being a trained expert in shop methods.

Now to go on with the story: Each operation diagram drawing was made on a sheet of standard size transparent paper. The piece being machined was drawn up with red ink, while the jig, fixture or tool was drawn with black pencil. This work completed, a blueprint was made of each, and all the blueprints perforated and bound together into a large book for the superintendent,

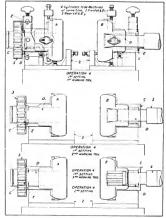


FIG. 1.—SET-UPS FOR OPERATION 4 ON AUTOMOBILE CYLINDER

OPERATION 4. Ist setting, 1st working tool:
Face C of cylinders A and A',
Rough bore D of cylinders B and B',
Chamfer E of cylinders B and B',

OPERATION 4. 1st setting, 2nd working tool:

Face C of cylinders A and A'.
Finish bore D of cylinders B and B'.

OPERATION 4. 1st setting, 3rd working tool:

Face C and cylinder A and A'. Ream D of cylinder B and B'. OPERATION 4. 2nd setting, revolve 180 degrees and face C of cylinder B and B':

Rough bore D of cylinder A and A'. Chamber E of cylinder A and A'. Finish bore D of cylinder A and A'. Ream D of cylinder A and A'.

master mechanic and tool designer,-let us generalizefor our factory office.

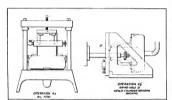


FIG. 2.-SET-UPS FOR OPERATIONS 4A AND 41/2 ON AUTOMOBILE

Next a reduced size photoprint of each drawing was made also, a photoprint just the size of a letterhead. By this time every operation sheet was already typewritten on the same size of white sheet. To each operation sheet was attached the corresponding diagram and all bound into a ring binder 8 x 11 inches in size and placed on the desk of the busy executive.

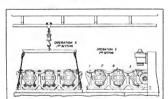


FIG. 3.-SET-UP FOR OPERATION 5 ON AUTOMOBILE CYLINDER

OPERATION 5. 1st setting:

and finish Mill F. Mill G Milt H.

OPERATION 5. . 2nd setting: Rough Mill I.

TABLE I. SCHEDULE OF OPERATIONS, MACHINES, TOOLS AND GAGES FOR AUTOMOBILE CYLINDER

- 1. Clean casting; sand blast.
- 2. Snag casting; machine, floor grinder.
- Hourly production per machine, 30.
- 3. Inspect for blow holes and defects in casting; bench,
- 4. Bore, chamfer and ream two cylinder bores and face mill

base of casting; 1st bore 103.5, 2nd bore 104.0, 3rd ream 104.7 mm. (0.3 mm. allowed for grinding). Note. If cylinders are not ground, hole must be reamed to 105.00 — 0.0125 mm., 2nd bore to 104.5; machine, Beaman & Smith Locomobile milling and boring machine; tools, four special fixtures, boring bars, adjustable reamers, face milling cutters; gages, Plug, 103.5 —

103.65, plug; 104.5 — 104.60, plug; 105.0 + 0.0125. Hourly production per machine, 6.

4A. Grind cylinders (if desired); machine, Heald cylinder grinding machine; tools, special fixture; gages, as above.

Hourly production per machine, 1.

5. Mill top (right and left) manifold pads and valve pocket cover surfaces (single cut); machine, Beaman & Smith con-tinuous milling machine; tools, four special fixtures each hold-ing three castings, special cutters; gages, valve pocket depth gage for width on fixture.

Hourly production per machine, 20.

6. Mill fan bracket pad; machine, No. 2½ LeBlond milling machine; tools, plate fixture, face mill; gages, on fixture. Hourly production per machine, 20.

7. Mill water pipe pad; machine, No. 2½ LeBlond milling machine; tools, plate fixture, face mill; gages, on fixture.

Hourly production per machine, 20.

Drill six bolt holes in bottom of cylinder flange; machine, Natco No. 30; tools, trunnion jig to take operations 8, 9, 10, 11. Hourly production per machine, 20.

 Drill manifold and pump pad and valve cover pad on one side of cylinder; machine, No. 14, Natco multiple spindle drilling machine; tools, same jig.

Hourly production per machine. 20.

10. Drill manifold and valve cover pad on other side of cylinder: machine, four-foot Carlton radial drill: tools, same iig. Magic chucks,

Hourly production per machine, 15.

1. Drill fan bracket pad in front of cylinder; machine, fourfoot Carlton radial drill; tools, same jig, Magic chucks.

Hourly production per machine, 20

12. Machine four valve holes (except thread), leave stock on seat for hand reaming after valve stem bushing is in place; machine, 17D Moline 6-spindle drilling machine; tools, special jig (on rails), special counterbores, special valve tools, special boring bars, grinding gages; gages, special gages for depth, plugs for size. (Tools should be made in duplicate.)

Hourly production per machine, 6. plugs for size.

13. Drill, tan and counterbore two cored holes in each end of cylinder; machine, Colburn drilling machine; tools, drill jig, special counterbores 80 mm. in diameter, tap, counterbore; gages, depth gage, thread gages.

Hourly production per machine, 10. 14. Tap valve plug holes; machine, Colburn drilling machine;

tools, no jig, collapsing tap, chasers; gages, thread. Hourly production per machine, 15. 15. Test under water pressure for leaks in jacket; tools, special

Hourly production per machine, 10. 16. Force in valve stem bushings; machine, arbor press.

Hourly production per machine, 30. 17. Ream valve stem holes (if necessary); bench; tools, special

tool for reaming; gages, plug.

fixture for testing at 60 pounds.

18. Finish face valve seat; machine, Taylor & Fenn drilling machine; tools, piloted facing tool index fixture; gages, gage for angle and concentricity.

Hourly production per machine, 15.

19. Tap all small holes; machine, Taylor & Fenn sensitive radial drilling machine; tools, no fixture, taps; thread gages. Hourly production per machine, 10.

20. Grind valves in place; machine, Foote-Burt valve grinder; tools; plate fixture, lapping compound; gage, prussian blue. Hourly production per machine, 6.

21. Inspect valve seating; bench; gages, indicating prussian

Hourly production per machine, 15.

22. Assemble valves, springs and collars; bench; tools, valve

Hourly production per machine, 20.

23. Final inspection; bench; all gages.

After manufacturing is started and first lot of parts gram-but these details can be left to the chief draftsare completed, the time each operation takes is entered man,

on each picture. It will then take only a few pages at the end of the book, and a few hours time of one of the clerks, to tabulate how many hours of each type of machines it takes to get out a lot of 100 parts.

#### ADVANTAGES AND SAVINGS

Everybody will realize how much time the executive can save by having all this wealth of information in the shape of a compact book on his desk. But the busy executive is not alone at the factory-he has his assistants. The works manager will find the description of each operation of service just at the moment when he is selecting additional equipment; he may be able to make up his mind without calling in a master mechanic or foreman, without analyzing drawings in the tool-drafting department, without following up all operations on-let us say-the connecting rod which happens to be made in four different departments. The master mechanic who is just about inventing a new scheme and wants to know if it is really simpler and cheaper than the old one can refer to the book. The superintendent who has just received a report that the turret lathe department holds up production by being constantly overloaded, and who contem-

plates having some of the work thrown into the drill press department can see what to shift by looking into the book. The chief tool designer who wants to tell a man engaged last night to use the milling scheme he has used on last year's model universal joint cage tells him to get the book. And so on including the director of the night school for apprentices. (We will need tool designers and foremen ten years from now just as much as presently.)

#### DRAWINGS NEED NOT BE EXPENSIVE

While the objection can be raised relative to the cost of these drafting diagrams, it may be added that the work in question for a draftsman who has been in a drafting room where this has been done would be an easy task. After he gets broken in, gets to understand the idea, leaves out the unnecessary and concentrates on the essential, the work proceeds rapidly.

These drawings do not have to be scaled. A good deal of assistance can be given by having standard elements like milling machine tables or lathe turrets once made to scale on cloth, and then retraced on each dia-

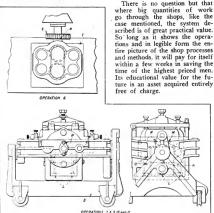


FIG. 4-SET-UPS FOR OPERATIONS 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, ON AUTOMOBILE CYLINDER

OPERATION 7: Drill L. 6 holes. OPERATION 8: Drill M Drill N On one side of cylinder. Drill O OPERATION Q: Drill M On second side of cylinder. OPERATION 8: Drill M On one side of cylinder. OPERATION 10: Drill M On second side of cylinder. OPERATION 11:

Drill P.

OPERATION 6:

Mill K

It may be added that in case of contracts for different parts of one machine, which are sometimes given out due to crowded shop conditions, a method of illustration as described above will certainly help everybody concerned.

#### Help Solve The Transportation Problem In Connection With the Railroads

- 1. Cooperate and put it over. Do not kick at changes.
- 2. Load and unload promptly. Do not wait for a convenient season.
  - 3. Load to capacity.
- Do not reconsign en route. Decide the destination before the goods leave.

5. Pack securely and mark plainly.

#### For the Waterways

- 1. The construction of barges and small tow boats to provide for the adequate use of existing highways.
- 2. Provision for putting into shape existing waterways that have been allowed to become obsolete.
- 3. Provision for the wise extension of these waterways to correlate with the railroad system.

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### Chemistry and Industrial Management

By Ellwood Hendrick

To check wastes of materials in industry we must buy only what we can use, use it intelligently and reclaim all possible by-products from the serap. The author paints out that chemical reactions enter into all manufacturing to a greater or less degree, and makes a pla for chemical control including the purchase of all materials on specification and the check of everything received.

EVERY time a shovelfull of coal is thrown into the fire-box of a boiler, a whole series of chemical reactions take place. When metal is melted in a cupola all sorts of things happen; in fact there are very lively goings on within the domain of chemistry or of physics every time a piece of metal is heated. Painting is a chemical process, and a very complex one, too, and so is nearly everything that happens in a tank or a tub.

We can't get away from chemistry in industry; the most we can do is to shut our eyes to it and that is not always profitable. It has to do with the administration of materials. The eye of the master, according to Benjamin Franklin, is an invaluable asset, but its blind spots do not count. It may observe the men, see that they are diligent and well directed, and it may see that correct practices are observed, but unless it has the vision of chemistry, it cannot see how materials behave, and these are as important in making profits as are men.

#### CHEMICAL CONTROL IN MANUFACTURING

Chemical control does not mean having a laboratory with a man, a balance, some reagent bottles, test-tubes, beakers, caseroles, Florence flasks and the like in it. One can't even select a good young chemist unless he has chemical understanding himself. The bane of American manufacturing has been that chemistry and physics have been neglected while the administration of materials has been placed in charge of foremen who do not know molecules. Those are the fellows who put things over on the old man. A young chemist, fresh from college, can't make any headway against them because they have entrenched themselves. And the young college man isn't up to the job of chasing molecules all around through the works and finding out what they are up to, anyway. That is the chemist's task; he is a mole-cule chaser. Nobody can see molecules, but they are always organizing, sometimes nice and obedient, just as the master desires; and then again they could give an anarchist organizer spades and trumps in sabotage. A young fellow at twenty dollars a week, who is under instructions to stay in his laboratory and make tests, can't determine how they are behaving. Conditions in little glass bulbs are very different from those in big iron containers. Laboratory processes that are rich in yield often show marvelous divergencies when a factory charge is made. Under different relations of mass to surface and with changed conditions of temperature and pressure, the molecules form new and entirely unexpected unions and it takes more than a little experience to catch onto their ways. The chemical engineer is to materials what the lawyer is to contracts and business procedure, and he needs experience as well as schooling.

#### CHEMICAL ADVICE IN INDUSTRY

The point that I am trying to make is the need of sound, competent, chemical advice in the operation of a manufacturing concern just as good legal advice is Mr. Ellwood Hendrick received his professional education wader Victor Meyer, and Mera and Weith at the University of Zwich, Switzerland. From 1881 to 1884, he was manager of the Albony Aniline and Chemical Works, and later was in chemical manufacturing for himself. At present he is a member of the staff of of Airthur D. Little, Inc. He is a writer on chemical subjects and is the author of "Revermans", Chemistry."

needed in its organization and whenever, for instance, the old man loses his temper.

The last word has not been said in regard to any known chemical reaction—so there's nobody who knows it all. On the other hand, there is hardly a single industry that lacks its chemical side. Even the matters of fuel, boiler water and lubrication are neglected unless they are under chemical control, and neglect means waste. A glance at laboratory records of analyses of boiler compounds which have been bought at prices mounting up to several thousand dollars a year for single plants is enough to make a manager sick. A late one was a little molasses in water at a dollar a gallon.

Chemical control enables a manufacturer To know his product. Usually he guarantees his output and his guaranty is a liability. The knowledge that this control gives him of his product insures him against loss under his guaranty. So if it discharges a liability it is an asset. It substantiates also the manufacturer's own trademark. On the other hand it discounts the trademark premium he pays on his raw materials. In normal times a man who buys on specification usually enjoys a buyer's market, if he buys trademarked goods it is usually a seller's market.

#### UNINTELLIGENT BUYING

A street railway company has constantly before it problems of painting, cleaning, lubrication, the purchase of metals for various purposes, requiring different qualities that are bought either on specification or by trademark and a hundred other chemical problems; these must be met, or ignored. With no reflections upon the wisdom and judgment of purchasing agents, I think the statement cannot be successfully contradicted that the one who has access to a thoroughly equipped and manned laboratory will save a great deal more for his company than the one who has not. There are corporations that have their favorite sources for supplies of all kinds and if anyone tries to demonstrate that their methods of purchase may be improved upon, they successfully make a goat of him. The old man or somebody in authority sees to it that no change is made and that they continue to buy as heretofore from old friends. Then the old friends see to it that the company gets goods at fair prices. Thus the buyer leaves everything to the seller. This may make the seller and it may not break the buyer, but it is not intelligent buying.

The other day the writer went into a well-known clothing and furnishing house in New York City to buy an overcoat. The purchase was made—and, "Yes," he needed some underwear; medium light balbrigan. The price was \$2 a garment, or \$4 a suit. It seemed dear. The house is of the first rank and the proprietors urge upon customers that they can get best served by buying all their wearing apparel there. But those shirts and drawers seemed dear. Two suits were bought instead of the number desired on the ground that he might do

better somewhere else. The next day he went over to Third Avenue, where he was probably taken for a prosperous walking delegate. "All our goods iss strickelly shoonion made," said the salesman. But underwear of the same weight, staple and finish were purchased for 72 cents a garment, or \$1.50 per suit. The first lot was bought on trademark, the second lot on specification. The seller does—if he is alive to his job. With chemical advice the competitive field is open; without it it is closed; you must buy what your hired man says he can use.

#### SAVINGS ON ODDS AND ENDS

A retail dry-goods merchant and a chemist were having an idle chat one evening when the merchant said, in a joking way, "You chemists are getting your teeth into everything, but you can't make anything out of my business. I am immune from the chemist's attack." "You need him," said the chemist, "in the worst way. You sell drygoods and guarantee them. From the time they were made until you get them they may have changed hands three or four times and what only a textile chemist could tell you about the merchandise you sell and warrant would be illuminating and I fear occasionally it would shock you. But let us leave that out of consideration. I shall approach you on the subject of testing drygoods for you a little later when my equipment is complete. What do you say to a nice little dinner party next year to be paid for by you or me according to the cutcome of what I am about to propose? Suppose you tell me that you want my establishment to look into your supply department. That means besides fuel such odds and ends as paper, stationery, soap, etc. We shall charge you our regular fee and make specifications for purchases. If you do not make savings above the cost I will pay for the dinner, and if your savings are worth while, you are to pay for it.'

The merchant agreed, and paid for the dinner because his savings were several thousand dollars. There was some \$600 saved on soap powder alone for washing floors. Theretofore it had been bought as package or trademark goods.

#### SPECIFICATION AND CHECK

Merchandise, whether fuel, supplies, raw materials or finished products, is of three kinds: Standard, special and proprietary. For standard goods tests are established. Usually the chemist is needed to check. For special goods he is needed to specify. Proprietary goods are sold under patents or in packages with labels and directions or in connection with service which shows how to use them and get the best results. The item of service in connection with proprietary articles is growing rather than decreasing, as is evident from the increasing number of engineers and chemists employed in sales departments. It is wholly legitimate, but it is a charge that must be loaded upon sales. It is of advantage to the seller because it tends to close the market to the buyer. If on the other hand, the buyer knows exactly what he wants and how to use it, and knows also of several sources of supply instead of one, and can specify so that any one of the several producers can furnish the product he wants, his economical position is

Here we are in the midst of the worst war in history, with billions and billions to be paid as the least cost of it and labor almost impossible to secure, and yet we see great wastes flowing out of the spigots on every hand. If we could only utilize intelligently everything we waste we could almost pay for the war as it progresses. Of course, applied science has not got as far as that yet,

but it is much further advanced than the unscientific man knows. How manufacturers can afford to get along without having competent chemical advice constantly available to them is beyond the comprehension of most chemists.

#### MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT CHEMISTS

There are a number of misconceptions about chemists abroad and we might as well consider oute or two of them. When a manufacturer gets into trouble about his product he does not always come to headquarters by any means. He waits and waits and tries this and that and finally, when he comes to the conclusion that there is no balam in Gilead, he goes to the chemist with his woes. His overhead charges are a thousand dollars a day, his wares will not sell because something about them is wrong, and "What is the matter with the goods? Answer immediately," is his demand. Now the trouble lies in the way the molecules have been behaving and it may take months to find out.

If he had had the liabit to take his troubles where troubles belong, to his chemical advisor, he would have had somebody working on the problem from the time the difficulty first showed itself, and by the time he sent his nervous telegram, the problem might have been solved. There's no use in trying to hurry such things: if one loses his pocketbook he does not set a date by which it must be found; he's thankful to get it at any time. The chemist's task in discovering what is wrong is often much harder than finding a lost pocketbook. Sometimes he gets it and sometimes he doesn't. In problems of research like this what he needs most is time. Tests go through a well managed laboratory in short order, but research will not be hurried.

Another idea that is unfortunately current is that a chemist can analyze anything. Now he can indeed analyze anything, but his analysis will not always tell what the thing analyzed is or how it is made. Chemistry isn't a finished science by any manner of means. There is a vast amount that isn't known yet and the chemist has to feel his way along, just as the business man has to feel his way along in establishing credit. His problems with materials are almost as individual as the business man's problems with mea. But the chemist is the only one who can actually discover what is happening to materials as they pass through the works on their way to become saleable goods.

The business man who takes his problems to the chemist will be surprised to find how wide their chemical side is. He is likely to be surprised at a great deal of information that will develop. But if he wants to be ahead of the game he must invite chemistry into his business and keep it there. The way to do that is to get a sense of the chemical aspect of his works before the day of trouble comes.

#### Definition of Engineering Council

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Eigineering Council is an organization of national technical societies of America created to provide for consideration of matters of common concern to engineers, as well as those of public welfare in which the profession is interested, in order that united action may be made possible. Engineering Council is now composed of the American Society of Civil Engineers, American Institute of Mining Engineers, American Society of Mechanical Engineers and American Institute of Electrical Engineers, having a membership of 33,000 and known as the Founder Societies.

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### Mastering Power Production III.

### Materials Can Only Be Mastered By Knowing All the Facts By Walter N. Polakov

Following the declaration of the principle that exact knowledge must be parsent before materials can be properly selected the author states, "In ease of materials entering into a process of power production, the cost of the materials has little or no bearing on the cost of the finished product." The example used to illustrate these principles is coal. Under the headings of "Care of Materials" and "Care of Equipment" methods for planning and caring for all the materials and supplies of the power front are fully outlined. Euphasti is laid on the importance of fitting both materials and equipment for the service to be performed.

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REAT historical events reflect the state of mind of contemporary people. Moreover, it is the economic structure of society or the mode of production that, in the final count, determines the ideals. The world war which commenced as a clash between efficiently organized production on one side and antiquated financial control of markets on the other, gradually took the form of a crusade for liberation from imperialistic oppression or, stated in more definite terms, for the abolition of autocratic power and arbitrary use of special privileges.

To win a war, whether international or industrial, one must master materials better than his opponent. To accomplish this task, it is necessary to eliminate all guess, uncertainty, favoritism and waste; a definite predetermined, impartial and efficient use of materials is a conditio sine qua non of success.

So long, however, as our industries and public utilities are controlled by men whose vision is limited in a narrow circle of private gains, small wonder that the representatives of the people extend over them governmental control. The feeling of distrust spreads toward managerial methods based upon obsolete ideals and fostered by the conditions of the past, and the right to mismanage socially necessary production and transportation, or to waste the nation's natural resources, is being gradually taken away.

#### PRICES versus VALUE OF MATERIALS

The most conspicuous of this harmful inheritance from the age of mercantile capital is the habit of judging the value of services and of goods alike from their market price. Men, who are traders by profession and speculators by temperament, are accustomed to accumulate wealth by buying cheap goods and reselling them for what the traffic will stand. The process is thus to transform money into commodity and exchange it later for a larger sum of money. Buying certain materials needed in the process of power production is made with an intention to realize larger returns when the raw material reappears in the new form of a marketable commodity-energy. As a mere bookkeeping proposition, it looks as if the lowest price paid for these materials is capable of enhancing the profit, or the difference between the cost-price and the market-value of the power.

A technically unsophisticated purchasing agent, or an official dictating the policy of a concern, is often trapped in the tenets of this fallacy. While it might be true in a case of direct reselling of merchandise, that the low purchase price leaves a larger margin for profit, in case of materials entering into a process of power production, the cost of the materials has little or no bearing on the cost of the finished product. In fact, this rule is practically without exceptions, provided the purchase price is commensurate with the quality of the materials.

Inasmuch as nothing but scientifically conducted experiment under service conditions, carried out by a trained engineering investigator, can establish the fact of what article is cheapest to use, as opposed to what is cheapest to buy, the purchasing agent should be directed only by properly established standards. To enable their timely revision, he should report to the engineers setting the standards any fluctuations in the purchase prices of all cataloged materials. It is hardly necessary to illustrate this assertion by examples only too well known to the operating engineers, but often obscure to the financial directors. A cheap grade of lubricants, anti-friction metals, boiler tubes, fittings, etc., does not only enormously increase the maintenance expense but seriously jeopardizes the safety of men and property and, above all, frequently causes interruptions in service with all its disastrous consequences.

Of all the materials used in the steam power plant the fuel (more specifically coal), for the reason that it is by far the largest item in the operating expenses attracts more attention to the problem of its selection than even the operators themselves.

#### COAL AS AN EXAMPLE

The most primitive form of selecting coal is the comparison of prices per ton. This is occasionally modified by legal regulations, security of deliveries, terms of contract, and similar commercial considerations. Thus in New York City anthracite has been favored and even enforced so long, as law-makers believed bituminous coal to be smoky; in Maine, Pocahontas and New River coal were in vogue, even in steel furnaces, since little ash may be hauled over the long route; in Pennsylvania, sometimes ill fitting coal is brought from far away mines because of a lower bid per ton on a long term contract.

In the first decade of this century the methods of buying bituminous coal on a heat value basis became fashionable. The more conspicuous of these methods were those of the United States Geological Survey, Interborough Rapid Transit, City of New York and The Celluloid Company. It was as much a step in the proper direction as the selection of food on its calorific value yet the parallel goes further. A dietician knows that foods of equal heat value have different coefficients of digestibility; moreover, there are proteins that stop animal growth while others stimulate it. Similarly, it is not half enough to know that a million B. t. u.'s cost so much and the price may be further adjusted according to the variation from the normal proximate analysis. The fitness of the coal for existing furnace, service, local conditions, etc., must be carefully investigated before it can be said whether the coal containing most B. t. u.'s for a penny is the cheapest to use or not.

The greatest unquestionable merit of this method of payment for coal lies in the fact that it calls for exact knowledge. The knowledge of the quality of delivery on the part of the buyer stimulates the seller to exercise care in preparation of the order; eventually the knowledge of the effect of the composition of coal on the ultimate results obtained helps the user to adjust specifications to the requirements, or vice versa to modify the conditions of use according to the character of fuel. Neither of these adjustments could be made without a knowledge of the characteristics of the coal. Moreover, the contents, the nature of the volatile matter, peculiarities of ash, etc., must be known before the coal is used, since variations in the properties of coal call for different ratios of air to coal, shorter or longer periods between levelling or cleaning fires, thicknesses of fuel bed, etc., if high efficiency is to be had.

The importance of the information obtained from the coal laboratory could hardly be emphasized crowingh, and a modest investment for its simple equipment is perhaps the best investment after the boller room instruments, from the viewpoint of returns. The employment of an outside laboratory, however, is warranted only in a case when the analysis returns are available before the coal is delivered in the boiler room. The knowledge of what kind of coal has been burned is no consolation if the methods of its utilization were guessed wrong.

#### SOCIAL MEANING OF WASTE

Before outlining successful methods of mastering materials it is timely to point out what is meant here by "economy," "saving," and similar expressions. While it is common to measure any kind of unprofitable use of time, material and effort—1. c., waste—in terms of money, the true social meaning of waste (as opposed to saving) is both deeper and broader than merely loss of money. Any material has a value only insofar as it is the product of labor. Coal represents labor of an endless chain of men—lumbermen, teamsters, steel-mill workers, machinists, chemists, railroad men, farmers, architects, cattle men, engineers, doctors, miners and so on, probably without a single exception all trades contribute in their toil, even without knowing it, to the possibility of working out mines.

From this standpoint any waste of coal, or any other material, means that a certain amount of the work of all these numberless men, whose work intricately depends one upon the other, is rendered useless. This in turn means that the time they toiled to produce something that is thrown away was not used to anybody's good. As this waste is considerable the sum total of

the portions of time that all the men worked to produce something that is wasted is very large. Sometime ago, in Austria a careful study revealed the fact that if all

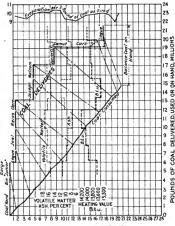


FIG. 4. COAL RECORD CHART

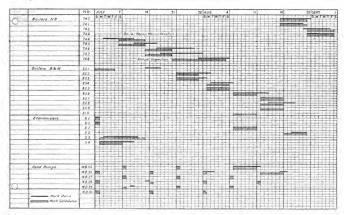
this waste be eliminated, as well as wasteful occupations abolished, the male population of between the ages of 16 and 50 could produce all that is regularly consumed working less than four hours per day.

To drive the point nearer home, our wastefulness and mismanagement wore out the whole industrial mechanism to the extent of requiring five days of emergency repair and ten Mondays for patching, since an economic structure that is based solely on production for private gain develops internal contradictions leading to its ultimate collapse.

#### MANAGERIAL FUNCTIONS

Those directing the production of power, or any other commodity, cannot ignore the responsibilities coupled with their authority. Waste in any form means the ruination of the individual enterprise as well as the undermining of the prosperity of a community.

It is quite obvious that most of the losses occur in operation due to the imperfect organization, lack of knowledge and resulting poor methods, but it is equally evident that no improvement along these lines can be made until we learn how to master the materials we use. This function is decidedly managerial, inasmuch as workman, firemen, engineers, etc., are expected to use the equipment, supplies and materials provided for them, and if they are unsuitable for attainment of predetermined results the entire responsibility rests with those causing such handleaps. The functions may be divided into two main groups, "Care of Material" and "Care of Equipment."



MAINTENANCE RECORD OF LARGE POWER PLANT

The organization to care for materials embraces the following details:

Selecting materials. Purchasing materials. Testing materials.

Storing materials. Similarly the care of equipment embraces: Scheduling maintenance.

Specifying work. Providing labor and material. Instructions. Compensation.

#### CARE OF MATERIALS

All materials used in connection with power production are controlled by the planning office from the time of issue of the purchase order until the articles are issued for use by the storekeeper.

To facilitate identification of stores for charges, etc.,

all stores are classified into five groups: Raw material as the name indicates, is the material which is converted into product though losing its

identity, such, for instance, as fucl. Supplies are all standardized materials used in the plant, being neither converted into product nor forming parts of the equipment, such as lubricants, stationery,

cleaning materials, tools and implements, etc. Maintenance stores include all such articles as are used for maintaining the plant and equipment in perfect operating condition, as spare parts, gaskets, trans-

former oil, boiler compound, motor brushes, etc. Second-hand stores. All returned parts of the equipment, etc., not needed temporarily are returned to the store and issued subsequently in preference to similar new articles. They constitute second-hand stores.

Scrap and refuse. All material that has lost its usefulness for the plant is turned over to the store to be sold or otherwise disposed of, for instance, old boiler tubes, brass parts, grates, ashes, burned out lamps, etc.

When the planning office establishes standard specification for material, the purchasing agent is notified and no other article should be substituted unless such course is unavoidable and the planning office is notified in advance so that necessary measures can be taken to minimize the ill effect of the use of that which is less suitable. Such material as needs constant testing is sampled and submitted to the laboratory for test and report prior to the use of the new delivery. Besides coal, such a procedure may be found necessary for fire brick, transformer oil, new unclassified purchases, etc.

The storekeeper is the custodian of all material in the plant. As every article represents money paid for it, the same care must be exercised over it as for cash in a safe or a bank. Receiving, storing and issuing is carefully recorded and the following seven rules rigidly observed:

- I. Check every delivery as to quantity and standard of quality.
- 2. Have only the prescribed quantity of each article on hand.
- 3. Order new purchase only when amount left is equal to that designated as "order point," i. e., just enough to last until a new supply reaches the stores.
- 4. Issue from old stock until exhausted. Never mix new and old lots.
- Issue only on presentation of store issue slip properly indorsed.
- 6. Orders, issues and permanent balance of stores shall be handled through the planning office.

Take care to protect stores against deterioration. Small quantities of constantly necded stores may be kept in a sub-store and handled by the watch engineer as the storekeeper's representative in his absence.

As the most important item of material used in a power plant is coal, special problems are presented in its care. The quantity of coal to be stored is a complicated question depending on numerous local condi-

should also be taken into account. Interest on the coal pile seldom receives due attention. All deliveries being unequal in quality and characteristic, it is undesirable to mix various coals. while again this seldom can be avoided. A chart, shown in Figure 4, is a very serviceable means of reference and control, as it shows at a glance the quantity on hand at any day, quality of each delivery or daily consumed mixture, movement of cars or barges, demurrage, daily receipts and consumption, result obtained and other useful information.

NECESSITY OF PLANNING HANDLING OF MATERIAL The next function the management

should take care concerning materials is their handling or moving. It is obvious that to execute any work requiring use of material we must know;

- What material is needed. 1.
- Where it is needed. When it is needed.
- What is to be done with it.

be done in a plant, merely a general order is given as to what is wanted. The man is left to find out for himself when the machine will be available to work on. When he starts he discovers that he needs certain materials; then he hunts for it and when he gets it he takes plenty to avoid shortage while working, and when he is through the left overs are stuck somewhere in a cupboard. The good excuse is "to have it handy next time," but as it regularly happens "next time" he can't The story merely repeats: find it.

waste of time to find out what is needed, waste of more time to go and fetch it, waste of excess material. Yet no mechanic could be blamed for it as his job is merely to do the work, and not to manage the power plant.

We detail duties of such a nature to the planning office. The experience of the planning engineer aided with standards and records helps him avoid mistakes and save the time of the mechanic and the cost of the job. While the organization and functions of the planning office will be explained later on, suffice it to say in this connection that the control of issuing, moving and using of materials is one of the duties of the planning office, a most vital organ of a power plant.

CARE OF EQUIPMENT

The maintenance of equipment in first-class operating condition is another imperative task of a planning department. Proper upkeep of power equipment is of far greater influence on output and economy than it is in any other manufacturing department. Neglect to clean the heating surface of boilers, prevent numerous

tions which cannot be discussed here at length. Plant little leaks here and there, etc., seriously affects the operation free from interruption is a chief factor; decost of power. Careless, sporadic inspection of equipterioration and possibility of spontaneous combustion ment is much more hazardous in power plants than any-

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FIG. 6. INSPECTION BOUTE CARD

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FIG. 7. FRONT OF EQUIPMENT RECORD CARD

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FIG. 8. BACK OF EQUIPMENT RECORD CARD

earn a bonus—the plant's equipment must be maintained in uniformly good condition. To that end, the planning department contributes by studying physical causes affecting economy and safety and determines reasonable periods at which inspections, cleanings and other similar work shall be made. Such schedules are exemplified by the chart of Figure 5 and the electrical inspection card of Figure 4.

The by-effects of work done at regular intervals are: Reduced time the equipment is idle, reduced number of maintenance men needed, lower repair and maintenance cost, and above all, the operating men (who may be poor mechanics) are not dividing their attention between operating functions and mechanical work, but consistently live up to their tasks.

The general procedure of this work is simple. The planning department assigns at specified intervals the qualified men to make inspection routes through the plant and report all findings on a card. Necessary repairs are authorized by the issue of a work order specifying details and time when it is to be started and finished so as not to interfere with operating requirements. When the job is finished, all expenses are computed and entered on the record card, Figures 7 and 8, one covering each unit of equipment in the plant. The data on these cards are further used in the planning department to analyze what method of repair and

what material produces the best results at the lowest cost, and thus leads to continual improvements.

As far as stimulation of maintenance men is concerned, they receive their bonus over and above the daily wages only for those days when no interruption in operation occurs on account of their defective maintenance, and they lose their bonus whenever it is proved that the operating men fall short of their tasks on account of poor upkeep. For instance, a firemen fails to secure the expected boiler-efficiency rating, because the gage connection is leaking and he adjusts the damper in accordance with wrong indications. This would be the instrument man's fault, not the fireman's, and while the former will lose his bonus, the latter may be allowed his, if nothing else was wrong. To carry out this plan, it is evidently the duty of the planning department to investigate every failure at once, before the man affected comes back for his next turn; otherwise, the mistake may be unknowingly repeated and a late investigation may not reveal the real cause.

The success of our maintenance method depends in no small degree upon careful selection, standardization and purchase of all supplies and materials. The maintenance record cards, Figures 7 and 8 referred to before, are of material assistance for at least abandoning the use of supplies and materials that prove short-lived and expensive. Expensiveness, however, is figured out in the planning department not as cost per pound, foot, or what not, but as cost per time. Such data often give an effective weapon to fight some short-sighted purchasing agent's hobby to buy the cheapest stuff on the market, or a general fancy that the most expensive is the best. Neither of these generalities can, of course, remain true in all cases. In this way, for instance, it may be found that a very cheap and comparatively poor quality of firebrick gave excellent results if used in conjunction with a somewhat expensive fireclay cement, or that expensive grease for cylinder lubrication was cheaper to use than the cheapest cylinder oil, etc.

To sum up, when a plant is operated on the principle of task-work-with-bonus, this method of caring for equipment becomes still more important, as the task may be accomplished only when the equipment is in first class operating condition. Falling short of the predetermined economic result by an operating man because of poor maintenance is not a reason to deny him his bonus; in fact its payment serves as a penalty on the management for failure to keep the plant in the best possible shape, or unwisely saving on material.

How far such neglect to take proper care of equipment sometimes goes may be well illustrated by a case of a New Jersey power house. Several years ago, the maintenance of the plant was averaging \$4,000 per month. In the past years this account was reduced by almost half, with the result that not only the coal consumption per kwh. was increased in a dangerous proportion, but the capacity of dirty, neglected equipment was reduced so materially that any overhauling would necessitate curtailment of the output.

Emphasis is laid in this article on the importance of careful fitting of materials and equipment for the service: far greater importance must be attached to the men whose work consists in keeping the plant in a condition that permits the utilization of its ultimate efficiency. A successful mastering of the material side of a power plant calls for more than first-class mechanics engaged in its up-keep—it presupposes a clear comprehension by the management of its first function: To base orders on facts.

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# Handling Bulk Material by Man and Machine Power—A Comparison

By George Frederick Zimmer

This article is based on British practice and gives comparative costs of handling coal by hand labor and by machinery. By hand labor the per ton labor cost may range from one-fifth to one-half of an hour's wage; by machinery the author gives a handling cost per ton as low as 0.95 cets.

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A MODERN plant for the mechanical handling of material, unless of very small capacity, cannot help being a commercial success, for we need only bear in mind that an expenditure of from £750 to £1,000 (\$3,652 to \$4,870) on machinery is justifiable, if one labor unit can thereby be dispensed with. Yet the careful investor would like fuller information in order to enable him to calculate beforehand approximately what lee will save by his capital outday. Reliable information which will give us the comparative cost of handling say a ton of coal is, however, difficult to obtain, as it depends to a great extent on specific conditions, but the following brief data will help us to form approximate estimates for a variety of propositions.

So far as hand labor is concerned we find:

1. An average man, paid at piecework rate, can shovel coal out of a railway truck at the rate of five tons per hour, either into a hopper forming the receiving terminal of a coal handling device, or into any other receptacle, provided its upper edge does not reach in height beyond the floor level of the railway truck. The actual cost of handling one ton of coal in this way would be one-fifth of the hourly wage, plus a small allowance for wear and tear on tools.

2. If the coal is to be unloaded and wheeled in a barrow a distance of 100 feet, and then stacked by means of a gang plank in a heap of an average height of six feet, one man can handle 3.4 tons per hour. A coal heap of an average height of six feet must be understood as

the average between 0 and 12.

3. In order to reclaim the coal from a heap by showel and barrow, and wheel it to a point 50 to 100 yards away —say, 75 yards as an average—and empty the coal there, one man can handle two tons per hour, so that the cost of one to thus handled will be equal to half-an-hour's wage; for every 10 yards additional distance conveyed, one-fortielt of the hourly payment must be added to

It is rather difficult to make reliable statements concerning general comparisons between the hand labor for discharging railway trucks, and that performed by mechanical means, particularly as these latter appliances are generally fixtures, and are therefore best adapted to serve a mechanical handling plant; a coal truck to be discharged by hand can generally be shunted into a position nearest the spot where the coal is to be used or stacked.

There are also a great variety of tips driven by either hydraulic or electric means; some raise the trucks to an angle of 45 to 50 degrees, at which they completely empty; others turn them over laterally, such as the M'Myler Tip, by an angle of 135 degrees, which will give the side of the truck, when turned over an angle of

roller milling, In 1807 he storted practice as a consulting engineer, and at the same time began to market a reciprocating steam conveyor of his own development. He is an extensive writer on the art of mechaical handling of materials and is the author of two books, "The Mechanical Handling of Material," published in 1905, and "The Mechanical Handling and Storing of Material During and After the War," published in 1903.

45 degrees. Others again will turn the truck through an angle of 180 degrees, also sideways, so that it is exactly upside down. It is therefore advisable to obtain an estimate from the makers after deciding upon the type of tip and the number of trucks to be discharged per hour.

We will take, for example, an electrically driven tip for end-door trucks, which raises the truck floor to an angle of 45 to 50 degrees.

Such a tip would cost, approximately. £625

The accompanying table shows the economy effected by the use of such tips, for different quantities per annum, according to B. Ludwig's observations on such plant

reckon more than 0.03 kw. hour.

Tons per Annum

Cost of Handling Coal in an Electrically Operated Tip
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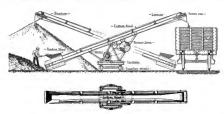
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rent and Labor	3-37	7	3.06	6
16,000	1.9	4	1.54	3
24,000	1.43	3	1.17	2
32,000	1.19	2	0.94	2
40,000	1.05	2	0.8	1
48,000	0.96	2	0.7	1
56,000	0.90	2	0.63	1
64,000	0.88	2	0.58	1
72,000	0.80	2	0.55	2
80,000	0.77	2	0.51	1
88,000	0.75	2	0.49	1
96,000	0.73	1	0.47	3

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Under pre-war conditions the cost of hand labor for unloading railway trucks worked out at about 2½d (5 cents) per ton, so a tip of the above description would be economical for handling annually 13,000 tons and upward.

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When (as in problem 2, page 190) the material, after unloading, has to be conveyed to any distance the machine proves even more economical than the man in problem 1, and this becomes increasingly evident the longer the distance and the greater the tonnage per hour. For very small installations hand labor may be cheaper, or in cases where the material has to be raised as well as conveyed. Even if there should be cases in which it can be proved that hand labor is cheaper than the machine it certainly is not so quick as the work of a conveyor, and the rapid disposal of all bulk goods at termically in the control of the conveyor, and the rapid disposal of all bulk goods at termically the conveyor, and one that account alone the machine would be more economical than manual labor if it could be employed at an equal rate of cost. But generally speaking mechanical appliances are more economical than hand labor, even for small installations.



Concerning problem 2, the machine which conforms best to the flexibility of hand labor is a portable device, such as the Mitchell Loader, which is essentially a telescopic band conveyor mounted with its motor on a carriage running on standard rail tracks. The conveyor can be slowed in all directions, being mounted on a turntable, and can be luffed so as to take cargo from the cars to the heap, or vice versu. Machines of this kind are made in sizes of 16, 20, 24 and 30 inches wide, from 20 to 30 feet long, and of capacities from 30 to 100 tons per hour. It is manufactured by Messrs. Fraser & Chalmers, Led.

A similar machine is shown in the illustration on this page; it is however not telescopic but for fixed lengths, and is mounted on travelling road wheels and not upon rails.

In cases where the material has to be lifted to a higher level mechanical appliances are far more economical than hand labor, even in the case of very small capacities, and particularly so when the lift is higher than a man can throw with a shovel, for hand labor is then practically out of the question, for the coal would have to be shovelled into baskets, carried on men's shoulders up a ladder or gang plank and emptied, an operation which can still often be seen when ship's bunkers are being coaled One man can, in this way, only handle about one ton per hour. In connection with this performance we must remember that it is in reality the actual power capacity of the human handling machine if unaided by mechanical appliances. The basket is no machine, while the wheelblarrow must be looked upon as a primitive labor aiding machine.

If we take one ton per hour as the handling capacity of a man, we find that such simple appliances as a rope, pulley-block, and winch will increase his capacity to two tons per hour, for with nine men filling the baskets in the lighter and emptying them into the bunkers, and three men working at the winches—12 men in all—24

tons per hour can be handled. With a mechanically equipped collier having a complement of seven men in charge, coal can be transferred at the rate of 700 to 800 tons per hour, or say 100 tons per man.

With the recently erected loading scheme at Durban, one man in charge of a Myler Tip can handle 1,000 tons per hour, and so can the man in sole control of the loading machinery. These achievements are too obvious to require a comment and we need not haggle as to their economy. But there is one more aspect. The man in charge of such a handling machine constitutes, so to speak, the brains of the machine, his physical man power does not come into consideration, as would that of the coal-heaver who handles but one ton, and therefore girls are now frequently employed for such purposes. Now there is no reason why disabled soldiers should not be employed on such work. The writer be-should not be employed on such work. The writer be-

lieves that such employment would be most suitable for intelligent but physically disabled men, who could from their comfortable seat in the cabin manipulate the levers, brakes, and controls of such a conveying plant.

When handling abrasive material such as coke, and especially incan-descent coke, most handling machines will require repairing and re-newing to such an extent that a point must be reached when hand labor is more economical than machine labor, and this will be more noticeable in the case of continuous conveyors, where the gritty dust of the coke disintegrates and the heat distorts the

proving parts. On the other hand, with such intermittent handling (where one or more tons of coke are handled in a large receptacle) the upkeep is infinitely less, as such receptacles are not so susceptible to damage, having no intricate parts, and moreover the cost of repair is much smaller in the latter case, and such repairs can generally be done by a handy man on the job.

#### FLEXIBILITY OF THE TELPHER

The telpher, which is now so often used, may to some extent be compared with manual work on account of possessing the greatest possible flexibility, but when its path has once been decided upon it is fixed by its rail track, and the man in charge of the telpher performs a task analogous to the one with the barrow, only instead of having to push the barrow, the barrow—so to speak—pushes him, and instead of his barrow bolding only a hundredweight or two, it will hold a ton or more. In addition to this, one man can, with his telpher machine travel at the rate of 500 feet per minute, whereas a man wheeling a barrow can only travel about 50 feet per minute. Telphers are particularly recommended where the distance is too great for continuous convevors.

A complex handling installation is generally too expensive in first cost for undertakings of relatively small capacity, while such plant for large capacities costs but comparatively little more. Thus, for instance, an installation capable of handling 50 tons per hour, with which the writer is acquainted, cost £20.000 (\$97,400), while an almost identical plant for double the capacity, i. e. 100 tons per hour, will cost only £21,000 (\$102,270).

Mechanical handling devices will only become economical when certain quantities have to be handled, and with every type of machine there is a point below which hand labor must be cheaper, and the more economic a machine the lower the capacity for which it becomes economical.

A few actual examples may be of interest. As these

examples do not rest on the same basis they cannot be tabulated or otherwise presented in a more striking and attractive form, but they are certainly both very obvious proofs of the economy of machine handling.

Take the coal handling plant of the City Road Station of the London Electric Light Company. Here the coal arrives in barges and was formerly elevated to the boiler house floor at a cost of one shilling (24 cents) per ton, by manual labor. Now it is delivered into the bunkers at an inclusive cost of 5d, (10 cents) per ton, which also includes the water supply for driving the hydraulic crane which ulusoals the road.

Another example is a coal handling plant for unloading barges by a cantilevered bucket elevator which delivers on to a drag-link or U-link conveyor, which is at
work at the Corporation Electricity Works, Coventry,
and was erected by Messrs. Ed. Bennis & Co., Ltd., Bolton. Before the installation of this plant manual labor
was employed and the coal was raised in baskets by men
out of the barge, conveyed a distance of about 50 feet
on a gang plank and thrown into the store. The new
installation can handle the coal with a saving of 60 per
cent, over the former cost.

### Expenditure Chart for Executives By F. J. Schlink

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\*IIE type of chart shown herewith is a mode of graphical accounting. While based on simple and well-understood principles, it has not, so far as is known, been applied in the work of the business administrator. Its use relates particularly to the needs of the administrative officers and executives, whose knowledge of financial conditions should be such as to give them control of tendencies and policies in expenditures. For this purpose, it is not necessary to know the exact balance on a given fund to the nearest cent; what is needed is a form of statement which will give very approximately the amounts of the individual expenditures, show them in their relative magnitudes, and indicate at a glance whether or not the amounts available will suffice to carry the project through the fiscal year with a satisfactory margin for contingencies; whether the proportion of administrative salaries to expenditures directly applied to production is a reasonable one, and whether the work to be done has been planned in advance as well as the data in hand will permit. No argument is needed to show the advantage of graphic metheds in business management; that manner of delineation is well established nowadays and occupies an important place in modern and well ordered industrial plants and offices everywhere.

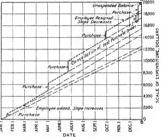
The chart, as shown, is made up of broken lines. Inclined lines represent continuing expenditures, such as salaries, insurance and rent, while vertical lines represent direct and definite outlays, such as those for furniture, machines, supplies, printing and the like. Vertical distances represent expenditures, horizontal distances, time.

For the sake of example, assume a plant having an experimental or development department for the main-tenance of which the sum of \$20,000 is alloted during the fiscal year of 1918. At the beginning of the year the total permanent staff of the department is such as to require an expenditure for salaries of \$900 per month. In addition there are fixed charges amounting to \$100 per month which includes heat, light, power, rent and insurance. The total continuing expenditure is \$1,000 a month or \$12,000 a year.

This expenditure is indicated by drawing a line from the origin at O to the \$12,000 point on the line AB. This will be drawn as a dotted line since the expense has not yet been definitely incurred at a fixed rate, being subject to change by shifts, promotions and resignations in the personnel.

On January 15, a new testing machine is purchased at a cost, including installation and delivery, of \$50.0. This is a single expense and when considered as a charge against the appropriation is complete on the date incurred. It will, therefore, be shown as a vertical straight line having a length equal to \$50.00 of the vertical scale, and will be drawn from the point at which the first line drawn intersects the date line January 15. From the upper extremity of this vertical line we draw in the new continuing expenditure line, dotted and parallel to the first such line drawn, since the continuing expenditure is at the same rate.

On February 18, a new man is added to the force. His salary being \$2,000 per annum, our continuing ex-



EXPENDITURE AND BALANCE CHART FOR APPROPRIATIONS

penditures rise to the rate of \$14,000 per annum. The continuing expenditure line is, therefore, broken at February 18, changing its slope so as to lie parallel to a line drawn from O to the \$14,000 point on AB.

Every purchase or construction expenditure which becomes a charge only after delivery of the machine or completion of the work, has the effect of displacing the graph, upwards, while every variation in the continuing expenditure has the effect of changing the slope of the graph. If the last continuing expenditure line drawn is prolonged until it intersects the line AB of the graph, the amount of the appropriation which will have been expended at the end of the fiscal year, if the continuing expenditures maintain their existing rate, can be read off at once on the line AB, assuming that no further purchases are made. The executive using the chart may, therefore, tell at a glance by visually prolonging the last inclined line drawn, whether or not the current rate of expenditure is a safe one. If the last line prolonged cuts the line AB above the limit of the appropriation, it is in effect a danger signal, and a warning that expenses must be diminished. Failing this, provision must be made somehow for increasing the allotment for the year.

Such a chart has 'the great advantage over the ordinary fiducial accounts that it shows not merely existing conditions but also the results which will ensue if those conditions are maintained. Furthermore, the relationship between the various kinds of expenditures is shown with a fullness and compactness which a plurality of written accounting statements cannot afford. March, 1918

## Organizing to Produce Shell Forgings Factors That Must Receive Attention, and Plans and Methods That

Factors That Must Receive Attention, and Plans and Methods That Have Already Proved Successful

By F. E. Merriam

Only a few firms in the United States have made a success of producing shell forgings, an important item in munition manufacture. This article takes up a number of points that must be carefully considered in forging shells, including handling device for our stock, conveying machinery and elevators for the billets and forging, manufacturing processes, suspection, wheep of machinery, standardization of tools and maintenance of labor. The causued is given "to make haste slowly."

THE present military success of the Allies is largely due to their superiority in artillery and munitions, and as the United States comes to take a more active part in the war it will be necessary for more and more of our manufacturers to take up the manufacture of shells, which must be produced in almost unthinkable quantities. In the case of most shells forgings are necessary; but only a few firms have had experience in this work, and fewer still have worked out the process to a point where their methods even approach the best practice. Those firms which thoroughly understand the business have attained success only after much costly experimenting and a close attention to every detail. This article does not aim to cover all phases of shell-forging manufacture but only points out some of the important features of organization necessary to success,

One of the very necessary parts of the organization is the inspection department, which, if properly managed, will be found to be increasingly important and useful. The inspectors must keep constantly in touch with the quality of the product and make inspection as rapidly as the forgings are completed and to be of the utmost usefulness the inspector must be armed with sufficient authority to make the necessary changes at the presses when the quality of the product falls off. The central feature of the inspection must be to follow production so closely as to render impossible the making of more than a few defective forgings before the trouble is discovered.

#### THOROUGH NEED OF INSPECTION

The attainment of this ideal requires that a considerable percentage of the forgings be given a thorough and complete inspection; this number should be at least 15 to 20 per cent. Small size forgings can be cooled in water and then tested, but the larger sizes must be inspected hot. For this work suitable gages must be devised which will not be quickly ruined by the heat and they must be so set as to allow for the contraction which will take place when cooling has occurred. The most common defect found in shell forging practice is eccentricity. It is against this fault that the forging inspector must constantly guard. To gage accurately for this feature some form of eccentricity gage must be provided. This should be of such a design that the forging can be rotated, since such a motion will closely reproduce the turning operation which will afterward take place. The manner in which the forging is held in the gage is important and should be similar to that employed in turning.

The centering of the closed end of the forging is also an important operation, and care should be taken that the gaging for eccentricity be based upon the same Mr. F. E. Mertiam is a mechanical engineering praducts of the University of Maine, and served as special appendice and shap engineer of the plant of the Westinghouse Machine Company. East Pittburg, Pennsylvania. For several years he has been connected in various executive capacities with the American munitions and war materials industry. He is at present with the Gulick-Henderson Company, Consulting and Integetion Engineers, New York, New York, New York, New York, New York,

principles employed in this operation, as well as all others which have any relation to turning. In these finishing operations the forging is usually held on an expanding, mandred which grips it on the inside near both the closed and open ends. The eccentricity tagge should give as close a reproduction of this method as possible. Tested in this manner the turning operation on the shell will come true with the inside, inspection will be dependable and the machine-shop rejections for forging defects will be reduced to a minimum.

Such a system of inspection should not be started unless the management is willing to give it complete backing, for the machinery will be shut down more often than before for the replacement and adjustment of tools, and there will be great opposition before all concerned are convinced of the merit of such rigid inspection. However, if the system is sternly enforced its merits will rapidly become apparent to all, for the percentage of rejections will decrease and exact knowledge of what is being done will replace the former lack of information. The writer has seen the percentage of rejections reduced by this system of inspection from over twenty to less than four per cent, in a very short time. The cost of operating such a system is very small and is justified many times over

The necessity for highly standardized operations in the machine-shop requires that the forgings be uniform in size and quality if economical operation is to he secured. Therefore, very small variations become of importance. The forging inspection department must keep in touch with occurrences in the machine-shop and adjust the inspection accordingly, with the view of constantly reducing the loss. The inspectors should also see that the rejected forgings are segregated according to their heat numbers and cause of rejection, and arrange for their disposition as rapidly as possible. Such an inspection department will relieve the shop foreman of much work, leaving him free to devote his time and thought to the problems of tooling and production or-ganization.

#### HANDLING MATERIAL

The handling of material commences with the steel in the form of bars. These must first be unloaded from the cars and stacked where they will be readily available for use as needed. A crane equipped with a magnet is undoubtedly the most efficient and satisfactory way to handle this steel; and at least a crane should be used even if the magnet is not available, for manual labor on this job is exceedingly slow and unsatisfactory from every viewpoint. Furthermore, if a magnet is not available the bars must be piled in such a way as to allow the lifting chains to be placed readily around the material, this adds to the cost of handling. Second.

the bars must be moved to the cutting off device. For this a crane will be found to be the most economical, particularly if equipped with a magnet. After the bars are cut into billets it is usually best to stack the pieces in boxes, or similar receptacles, to facilitate their hand-

ling which can best be by crane. For the best results it will be necessary to keep a considerable quantity of billets in stock. This can easily be done by stacking the boxes in an isolated portion of the shor.

As rapidly as needed the billets can be brought up to the furnace for heating and forging. After forging, and while still biot, the forgings should be stacked in boxes, thoroughly covered with ashes and kept in this condition until cool. In case a greater degree of softening is required it will be necessary to carry out a regular annealing operation. For this process some form of continuous furnace is most desirable. After annealing it will be necessary to induce slow cooling by packing in boxes with ashes or other

packing in foots with above or other similar material. During cooling the boxes should be stored in an isolated portion of the shop and near to a place where they can be conveniently separated from the ashes after cooling. To separate the ashes and forgings the contents of the boxes should be dimpted upon screens which will effectually separate the forgings after which they are ready for presentation for inspection. This is such a dusty operation that it will be desirable to keep it separated as far as possible from all other work.

But a little handling will be required for the conpany's own inspection since the inspectors examine the forgings immediately after they leave the presses. If the purchaser has inspectors at the shop much handling will be necessary in connection with their inspection and a determination of the most economical method will be necessary if proper costs are to be attained. The solition of these problems can well command the best talent available. After inspection, including segregation into different classes, storing and loading give opportunity to economize. Here is one of the hig problems. Withcut systematic methods of handling, production cannot go forward properly.

#### Conveyors and Elevators

The large quantities of forgings to be shipped and loaded necesstate well designed and thought out apparatus such as conveyors, hoists, etc., as well as the management of the labor. Gravity conveyors are convenient and efficient for placing in the care since they can be set at the proper grade to bring up the forgings as fast as they can be handled by the men in the car. The methods of getting the forgings to the conveyor will vary with the conditions such as the relative elevations of the car and shop floors. Some forms of elevators are adapted for this particular situation. In any case something better than manual labor must be employed if congestion and high costs are to be avoided.

Shipping and loading records must be carefully thought out and planued it a true and comprehensive knowledge is to be available at all times. Accurate records must be kept of the quantities accepted for shipment as well as those shipped and, often it will be necessary to further subdivide by beat numbers. If this subdivision must be made it will be necessary to exercise care to prevent their becoming mixed. The records should be checked daily with those kept by the purchasers' representatives and any disagreement adjusted

and corrected at once, before the facts are forgotten. The care and maintenance of these records should be entrusted only to responsible parties who can, and will, appreciate their importance and exercise suitable difgence in their combilation.



INTERIOR VIEW OF SHELL FORGING SHOP

#### PROCESSES FOR CUTTING BILLETS

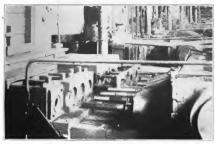
In many instances it will be uccessary to parchase equipment for making the bars up into billers and the choice will not only depend upon the rate at which the apparatus can operate, but also upon many other maters. Shearing is undoubtedly the most rapid method when the steel is of the proper quality, but often it is not shearable and the larger sizes of lars are beyond the capacity of most, if not all, shears. The nicking-and-breaking method is practical for all sizes and qualities of steel used for shells, and in view of the usual ruling calling for the inspection of the billest for pipes and other defects this process will undoubtedly become standard since it is rapid and furnishes an excellent.



B'LLDOZER SUITABLE FOR FORGING SHELLS Courtesy Williams-White & Co., Mohne, Ul.

surface for inspection. On the smaller sizes a sharp nick about one-quarter-inch deep is sufficient. The billets can then be broken off with a blow from a heavy sledge. Sawing is much slower than either of the methods just mentioned and, in view of the inspection requirement, is not likely to be feasible in most instances.

In most plants hydraulic presses are used in manufacturing forgings, but large motor-driven bulldozers are also successfully employed on this work and are producing excellent forgings. For making forgings larger than five-inch the bulldozers probably would not be a success, but in the smaller sizes they well deserve careful attention from anyone equipping a plant. The bulldozer being horizontal offers the advantage of easy handling of the forgings between the different operations since the men can stand upright and do not have to hold the work at arms! length. They can always stand in an easy position. While at work they stand above the die space. The illustrations of the buildozers with the tools in place show how this works out. The one of the (600-ton hydraulic press (on page 197) shows a machine not designed primarily for shell-forging work, but successfully adapted to it. The choice between bulldozers and hydraulic presses will depend upon many



TOOLING POR BULLDOZER AS USED IN FORGING SHELLS

local conditions as well as price, deliveries, etc.

MAINTENANCE OF MACHINERY

The maintenance of the machinery is an important item. It will be necessary to provide spare equipment to permit repairs to be made without interfering with production, and spare parts must be kept in stock ready for instant use. The machinery should be systematically overhauled and not allowed to run so long as it will hold together, since the systematic policy will result in minimum repair bills and more continuous-service. The machinery must be kept in adjustment at all times, aside from that which it receives during the general overhauling.

The nature of the press tools will depend upon the manner of performing the necessary operations and their number, the nature of the equipment that will be used, etc. For example: Some firms use one operation and some two or even more, while some firms use hydraulic presses and others bulldozers. After the principles have been decided upon there will remain the working out of the details of design, class, kind and quality of material. None of these should be of a temporary nature since the service is severe, manufacturing costs high and replacements expensive in both money, time and production. All these features will, of course, require determination by experiment as well as by study. During the course of the work accurate records should be kept of the performance and changes made in order to place the choice of materials and design upon a definite basis. One important feature often overlooked, is the method of aligning the tools in the press. This, if well solved, will save much time and attendant delay in production, as well as resulting in a reduction of the costs. Another feature in the design requiring close attention is the matter of manufacturing the tools. These should be as simple as possible to bring low tool costs and rapid manufacture.

#### MAINTENANCE OF LABOR

The human element is the most important single factor in the operation of any plant, and since conditions in a forge shop are naturally less pleasant than those prevailing in many other shops the management must give special thought and attention to the physical surroundings if a high-grade working force is to be obtained and the labor turnover kept at the minimum. The shop must be kept as clean and orderly as possible

—such conditions make for highgrade workmanship and contented employees. To this end all material in process must be neatly piled, all refuse placed in receptacles provided for that purpose and regularly removed, machinery must be systematically cleaned and all passageways kept unobstructed.

Leakage of water from pre-ses is not entirely preventable, but in most instances can be greatly reduced if a serious attentu is made. Spilling and scattering of oil should be given close attention for the sake of economy as well as cleanliness. Smoke is a major cause of the fifth found so often in forge shops as to be almost considered a necessity although, as a natter of fact, it indicates nothing more than uneconomical and incomplete combustion. A careful study of this situation will result in the working out of methyle methyle present the working out of methyle methyle methyle produced the serious control of t

ods that will mean greater fuel economy and more desirable working conditions. Smoke cannot be entirely eliminated where coal is the fuel, or even oil. On this account properly arranged hoods should be over the furnaces and these will effectively remove much of what remains. Frequent window cleaning will cut lighting bills and improve the surroundnings. In warm weather something should be done to alleviate the high temperature conditions usually prevailing. The hoods already mentioned will be a step in this direction and shelds can be set up to protect the men from the direct heat of the furnace.

Suitable wash rooms equipped with hot and cold water and shower baths should be provided so that the men can clean up, and not be compelled to eat their lunches and go home just as they come from work. Locker rooms will, of course, be necessary and it is well to provide a clean and well lighted room where the men can cat and rest during the noomings. The central thought is to remove the objectionable features so often connected with forge-shop work and to mitigate as far as possible any that cannot be removed. Such improvements are not philauthropy or extravagance but true economy because they promote efficiency.

#### STANDARDIZED METHODS AND TOOLS

The large scale on which shell forgings are finished demands highly standardized methods and processes, and workmanship to very close limits. Thus the tools must be finished with greater care and to much closer dimensions and limits than is necessary in forge-shop practice. Such matters as the alignment of the press and tools must receive careful attention, and the handling of the forgings from first to last must be carried out in a new and unaccustomed manner if success is to be attained. Ideas as to what constitutes excessive scale must be reconstructed, when working to such close dimensions only a very slight scaling is permissable. To this end unusual care must be exercised to prevent scaling in the furnace and before the billet is worked any scale present must be carefully removed. The inspection already mentioned must be thorough and frequent and will keep the shop on the right track.

Some forgings will be produced that will not be acceptable as first class since to finish them would require deviation from standard methods. These can, however, be used with but little sacrifice of profit if proper salvaging methods are put in force. This work can be handled in two different ways, both being effective, the choice depending upon the condition of the forgings and the facilities available. Some can be most economically saved by reworking in the presses with an upsetting and redrawing operation or even, at times, by redrawing alone. In other cases a special machining method must be used. This sometimes consists of a turning operation or the forging being roughed to a much smaller size than is practicable on a large scale, while in other instances resort must be made to a special centering on account of eccentricity.

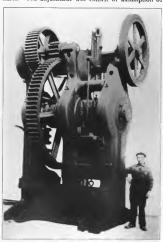
Whether the forging manufacturer should equip to do the special machining himself usually depends upon the terms he can make with the finishing shop. The finishing shop being necessarily equipped for such work a favorable arrangement can usually be made which will consist of an allowance for necessary extra work. In some instances it will doubtless be best for the forge shop to equip to handle such work for it will doubtless save some forgings that the finishing shop would not care to handle even under such an agreement. In this case the forging manufacturer will carry the work to the point where finishing can be completed by the standard operations. The finishing shop will then make an allowance for the operations completed. Since nearly all of this work will consist of turning and boring, very little machinery will be required to perform the work in an economical manner, but it should be borne in mind that on account of greater experience the finishing shop can often perform this work economically and, may not, on this account, be willing to allow enough to cover the cost incurred by the forge shop. Success in reclaiming forgings is dependent upon the knowledge of finishing and the ingenuity of those in immediate charge. The question will, of course, arise continually as to whether a particular forging is worth saving, but after some experience is gained this can become a matter of definite knowledge and record and the proper decision will not be hard to reach. Salvage work should keep pace with production to keep all matters up-to-date, and to make possible definite knowledge of the financial status of the order at all times. The fact that a forging has been saved is not necessarily proof that the transaction is a financial success, for the methods employed may cost more than the value of the forging. Accurate cost records must be kept and a degree of care and attention given equal to that devoted to production.

#### DISPOSAL OF SCRAP

In all shops there will be some forgings that are absolute rejections and cannot be saved by any method. For these the proper course is to consider them as scrap at once, and sell them as such at the best possible price crediting the order with whatever they will bring. After a short experience such forgings can be easily determined and then the only reason for holding them is to secure a better price for the material.

At the finishing shop there will be rejections for various causes and some will be attributed to defective forgings. The wisdom of prompt decision and action was never truer than in this case, for justice cannot be done to all parties unless a settlement is made while the facts are available. On many orders handled in this country during the last few years this has not been done and there are many who can testiff to the

impossibility of making any equitable adjustment after a considerable period of time has elapsed. This matter should be cared for at least every week, for then all necessary facts can be secured and a proper adjustment made. The adjustment will consist of assumption of



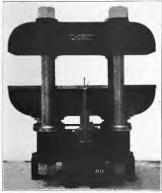
TYPE OF SHEAR SUITABLE FOR SHEARING FORGING BILLETS Courtesy of Williams White & Co., Moline, Ill.

responsibility by the forge shop for forgings not up to the accepted standard, and by the finishing shop of all spoiled during machining. Often forgings have been machined to a point where it is demonstrated that they cannot be finished by standard methods. In this case it will be profitable for the forge shop to pay the additional cost of finishing rather than accept absolute loss. Careful cost records must be kept if a wise decision is to be made and financial loss avoided.

#### MAKE HASTE SLOWLY

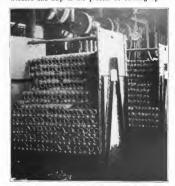
The desire for production at the commencement of an order for the purpose of making a showing must not be allowed to outrun judgment, or the manufacturer will soon find himself with much spoiled material on hand, considerable money spent on useless tools, besides labor losses. Mistakes will be made and it is impossible to go slowly enough to avoid them entirely, but here, as elsewhere, good judgment must be exercised. If the shop is without experience in such work progress will be slow at first, even if experienced men are brought in. Many methods and tools will be found satisfactory for producing small quantities of forgings but unable to stand the test of large production. Materials and grades of materials must be tried out before acceptance and extensive use, for daily wear and tear will be found to deteriorate everything in a most surprising manner.

Production must be started in a small way at first and as experience is gained and men trained it can be increased. One of the most difficult things is to secure men and train them. On this account every reasonable effort should be made to retain them once they are



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trained. After a few men are trained they can be distributed and help in the process of building up the



TRAYS FOR CONVEYING AND STORING FORGINGS WHILE COOLING

working force. Any extensive operations with green men must certainly result in failure.

It has already been indicated that a carefully de-

signed and operated cost system must be built up if the value of any of the methods or appliances is to be determined with certainty. Not only must such records be kept but they must be strictly up-to-date at all times, for if allowed to go far behind actual events they are of but little use, and will probably not be worth the expense incident to their maintenance. A concise statement of the financial standing of the order should be made up at least monthly. This cannot be done unless all adjustments and classifications both within and without the shop are kept up-to-date at all times. Only by the use of such a record can the present be accurately appraised and future policy definitely planned.

The purpose of this article has been not to outline the proper method of managing any particular shop, but rather to point out some of the items that must receive careful attention if success is to be attained, and to indicate how such problems have been successfully solved in different shops. The handling of a large order for forgings requires an entirely different point of view than that called for in ordinary forging work, on account of the degree of specialization required. So inspection, maintenance, welfare and many other factors must receive the same degree of attention, thought and planning ordinarily accorded only to production and tooling to achieve success in the long run.

#### Propaganda in Industrial Relations By L. L. Warren

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ODAY, as never before, appears the real need for organization. The world is learning the need of it: the United States knows it must first attain a right organization or efficiency will be sadly lacking. It is organization that must come first-planning, cooperation, standardization, effort, everything rests upon organization.

Mr. C. E. Knoeppel has, to my mind, properly interpreted the word when he says in the January issue: "Organization is the proper relationship of human beings." He pleads with industrial executives to study, to think of these vital laws of association, and any man, who is connected with industry so that he knows anything of the facts concerning labor, can scarcely keep from yelling himself hoarse in trying to make men think NOW.

When organization is mentioned it is usual for the mind to turn quickly to unionization as it relates to labor. But the real meaning is far different. It first rests upon individualism. As we can point to everything artificial as coming from the results of physical effort, it is right to think that the laborer and his work are the causes of a thought brought into reglization and vitally concerned in the analysis. Without labor we cannot have industrial organization, and it is only upon the human element in labor that I desire to dwell,

Ask any executive as to the individual production of his workers today in comparison to a year or two ago, and you will be surprised at his answer. I am being told almost daily that the decrease amounts to 50 per cent. in many instances and 25 per cent. in many more. Surely efficiency has not gone backward during this period; surely organization has not diminished to this degree. Nevertheless, the fact is there just the same.

SOME THINGS BESIDE BUSINESS

Executives have been pitting their wits against competitors, mind against mind, for so long that they have

forgotten there is something besides commercial business in life—something besides gain, something besides power and financial strength. They have thought of labor as a necessary evil, a thing to be dealt with and considered only so much as necessary. But "human bein's is human bein's" whether they sit behind the mahogany or work with a shovel. The sooner we realize this the better. The only difference is one of knowledge made up of experience, ability, thought. Trench life has proven this to be true; a month there, and all men are equal.

Labor wants a square deal; employers want a square deal. Each really desires the other to have a square deal. But neither knows what a square deal is, and, furthermore, in many instances they do not try even half-heartedly to determine. Individual inefficiency is the result. Strife is easily started, agitation results in demands which are impossible for employers to meet. Strikes result, and whether they win or lose, the workers think discord through unionization the only remedy.

#### Wages Not Based on Living Costs

By performing a certain amount of work every day a worker naturally expects the same amount of food, shelter and clothing every day; but the necessaries of life are not, or have not been, based on wages. As a result the cost of living increases faster than wages. Increases in the wage scale are seldom granted without demands. Strikes seem to be the only weapon, and so labor is convinced that agitation is profitable. No matter how much the individual production of a worker increases, his income does not meet the increased cost of living. How in the world can be be satisfied? Surely no executive would allow his business to run at a loss for very long without a radical change. Why should a worker be differently minded?

Individual production cannot be efficient unless the worker is contented, unless he is earning enough to "get by." My first step in employing a representative is to know what his cost of living amounts to each month. If I cannot pay him enough salary to make ends meet, I know that he will not be able to give me the best that is in him. If I can grant him that amount to begin with, I know that it is "dollars to doughnuts" that he will work constructively, actively, because he will be looking toward an advanced income where he can enjoy a few more of the better things of life and lay aside something for a rainy day. Welfare departments are supposed to do this very thing, but many times they work backward. They act on investigative data, but do not know the workers' thoughts.

#### YOU MUST KNOW WORKERS' THOUGHTS

You must know the thoughts of workers if you are to treat them right. You must know their desires, their home environment, their relaxations-everything about them. Then, and only then can they be taught to know that you want to give them a square deal. It is through education that you can standardize their living-it is only through practical demonstration that you can prove them wrong in the belief that strikes pay, and that you are not a dishonest employer. The question naturally arises. "Am I expected to grant every wish of employees?" Absolutely no, they don't expect you to do so, human nature is not constructed in that manner,

Your workers are no different from yourself. You like your job and they like theirs. Investigation has proven that more than to per cent, of workers are loyal. If they become a party to strife it is owing to mob-spirit. About five per cent. of employees are semiloval because of the fact that they have advanced in

mentality beyond their present responsibility, something is wrong but they do not know what it is. are from three-quarters to wholly disloyal.

#### STRIKES AND LOSSES

The usual methods which have been adopted by employment departments have been for the quick discharge of the disloyal ones. As a result of such an action there have probably been thousands of strikes which caused millions of dollars of loss. The reason these individuals are leaders is because of their being of greater mentality in comparison to their associates, therefore, they are close friends as a rule, and when discharged have a following that is surprising.

These disloyal workers can be taught, can be given better places or found places where their desires for more money can be gratified if they will devote their mind to production and not to strife. All they want is money and they can be taught that they must work to earn it. All their disloyal atterances can be successfully refuted if proper means are used. Every word they have with the contented employees simply pulls down the individual production of everyone. The same effect oppositely directed will cause an opposite result. But it has not been done, demands have been formed, made and strikes caused which have cost millions, without one single word spoken to offset the arguments.

Workers have been told what has been gained through strikes, but have you told them-mind you, I mean told them-what the losses have amounted to? Do shoe workers as individuals know actually how much four months of idleness upon the part of 15,000 workers, with no benefits, cost those workers in Lynn last Spring? Do shoe workers know that more than \$4,000,000 went beyond recall? Why? The real reason, I believe, was a fight between two unions more than anything else. Do all the street car workers know how much the real loss was in the street railway strike in New York in 1016? Do coal miners know what the anthracite coal strike of some years ago really cost miners as individuals? Mr. Stevens has told of the lost days from labor disturbance in the shipvard since April, Do workers individually know?

#### APPLY A KNOWLEDGE OF THE MIND

Now it is individualism that must be consideredand what is the answer. To my mind, and I am sure there are others likeminded, it is psychology-nothing more nor less than a classified knowledge of the human mind, of the mind of every worker,

The easiest way for me to make myself plain is to use our Hunnish enemy as an illustration. We have seen and are seeing what terrible havoc can be brought about through psychological effort in binding a people together, in building up individual production, in disrupting the morale of outside nations and in forcing a people to believe that right is wrong and wrong is right. We are seeing our ammunition plants blown up. our factories fired, and continuous attempts to spread throughout our nation a propaganda that is the opposite of good; all this through forcing a wrong thought, a barbarous idea, and as a result of psychological effort. promoting through a knowledge of the human mind the dirtiest, filthiest activities there have ever been seen.

Every worker today can be made to know his duty to his country, to himself and home by psychologically planned propaganda. It is the only way to bring him to full consciousness of facts, and as he responds to suggestion through contact, employers must reward his increased effort, must see that enough money is paid him to buy enough food, clothing and shelter,

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### The Economy of Centralized Trucking

### How One Plant Saved \$50,000 a Year Through Organizing Its Factory Trucking Forces

By J. M. Van Harlingen

Factory trucking should be considered as a productive function to be controlled and supervised as curefully as any other, instead of being looked upon as an unavoidable source of expense to be shared over a easily as possible. The centralising of the trucking in the plant of the Fish Rubber Company, Springfeld, Mass, under one department, including the operation of the freight elevators, has brought three major exnults: Utilization of equipment to maximum capacity; reduction of the trucking force by some 60 to 75 men resulting in a direct labor saving of \$5,0000 per year; standardization of equipment to facilitate the handling

NE plant is today saving at the rate of \$5,0,000 a year through a centralized trucking department. For three months before this department started mapped out. The work was taken over gradually, and trucking in each department assumed only after operations in preceding departments had been completely or

ganized. See Figure 1.

The trucking force in thirty departments consisted of about 175 men, most of whom were hand truckers operating every variety of equipment, each department foreman controlling his own group. In addition to these men there was the nucleus of a trucking department consisting of five electric industrial trucks operated by the maintenance department as part of their general plant service. These trucks were used wherever unusually heavy moving was to be done, and occasionally their services were charged against the department for which the work was handled, but by far the greater amount of expense incurred was absorbed as overhead by the maintenance department.

#### OPERATION OF THE ELEVATORS

The first observation which was made on plant trucking was centered about the delays. These were constant and appeared to be a natural consequence of the layout of the plant. Many were caused by elevators and it was apparent that little or no attempt was being made to regulate elevator operation or the traffic handled by them. Several studies (Figure 2) were made giving the traffic by trips and the actual time consumed. From these studies it appeared that any interdepartmental transportation system must depend for its success largely upon the cooperation of elevators ervice, and that it would therefore be wiser to have the operation of clevators as well as interdepartmental trucking controlled by the trucking department. This was done, and in practice our conclusion proved to be correct.

At the start the principal difficulty was with equipneur. Five electric trucks were immediately taken over, three of which were of the elevating platform type and the other two of the stationary platform variety commonly known as the baggage type. It was obvious that there were enough hand trucks around the plant to more than care for the movement of interdepartmental work, therefore equipment was taken over from each of the departments as well as men used on the of work and reduce maintenance costs, an additional saving of \$5,000 per year.

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interdepartmental trucking. This plan was put into operation and was extremely successful. It was not realized at first to what extent the electric trucks could be used in connection with the large elevating platform, and we were immediately faced with the difficulty of securing enough of these platforms to carry out the schedule properly. The change from hand trucks with small loads to electric trucks with loads from five to seven times as large stretched the capacity of the small number of platforms to their utmost, and the work was hampered and the acquirement of more work delayed by the lack of platform equipment.

#### PLATFORMS FOR WORK

It was found that there was not in the plant a properly constructed platform that would withstand rough usage and heavy loads. Several types of platform had been used with the electric trucks, but each had proven costly to maintain. These original types cost about \$57 each.

A platform was finally found, shown in Figure 3, which has proved sturdy and as light as is compatable with strength. It measures 4x5 feet, stands 12 inches from the floor in the clear and weighs a little more than 200 pounds. The first experimental platform of this type was subjected to very rough handling and as a final test it was thrown sideways on its legs from a four-foot platform to a cement drive: on the fifth throw one bolt pulled through the planking on top. Washers were then put under each both head, and as it now stands this platform will withstand very hard usage and will give good service. There is a corrugated steel platform made for heavy loads but it weighs more and, if damaged, would be hard to revair.

There was some question as to the proper use for the large platforms; it was found in all cases that for purposes other than permanent storage goods should remain piled on platforms until finally distributed or stocked, and that it is cheaper to provide platforms than to pay for the two handlings necessary for each transfer. It is not generally practical to use platforms for storage purposes. Following this plan the required number of platforms were assigned to each department or route, and these are used, except in case of great emergency, in that one service exclusives.

Hand trucking, which was 90 per cent. of all trucking under the old order, was done in a few departments

by elevating hand trucks carrying small light loads, while other departments used either the traditional twowheeled freight truck or special types of wheels. No attempt had been made to standardize and, through the system of borrowing which exists in most plants, trucks originally designed for a definite purpose were found far from their own department and utilized for odd jobs for which they were generally unsuitable. It was obvious that these trucks could not be taken out of service unless they were replaced by something else. To do this properly it was necessary to have some knowledge of what forms of truck were uniformally adaptable to a number of departments. A careful survey was made, thirty distinct types were listed and a brief description with outline drawings of each type made up for reference. See Figures 4 and 5.

During the first five months of its operation the department was occupied in "delivering the goods" and keeping the departments convinced that its service was adequate. After the first three or four departments' work had been done successfully the trucking department was solicited by others to take over their trucking.

In brief the results obtained by the trucking department are as follows:

- 1. Use of equipment to its maximum capacity.
- 2. Reduction of between 60 and 75 men in the force necessary to do the work, resulting in a direct saving in this item alone of \$50,000 per annum. 3. Standardized equipment to reduce maintenance

costs and facilitate ease of handling work. This item will be responsible for a saving of approx-

In surveying the work of the first three months it was found that elevators had been regulated so that pleasure riding by employees was eliminated. A conductor had been placed on the large, important elevators and waiting time was almost entirely done away with. Before taking over the operation of elevators it was not unusual to find a wait of 15 minutes for ten or more men through the delays in service, and a desire on the part of the men themselves to kill time. It was found that operation of the two-gate type of elevator could be speeded up by arranging standard exits and entrances. Under the former plan of operation constant delays and confusion resulted through the efforts of truckers to enter and leave from the same side of the elevators.

imately \$5,000 during the coming year.

#### PLANNING AND SCHEDULING

On the interdepartmental trucking it was found that the economic movement of goods necessitated a plan of operation and a scheduling of the needs in each department served, for without planning or scheduling trucking work had been done on a one-way load basis. With the cooperation of the departments served the number of empty trips had been reduced so that few trips are now made without a load. Trucks are assigned to certain routes and operate on a schedule dependent upon the needs of the departments served. Scheduling is, of course, a mat-

were fortunate in gaining this cooperation through iriendly understanding. It is generally essential

that in a large plant the operating departments arrange their production as scheduled, but it is frequently not considered so necessary to deliver raw materials and supplies on a regular routine. It may, however, be the

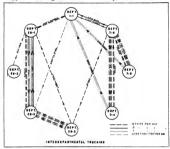


FIG. 1. CHART SHOWING INTERDEPARTMENTAL TRAFFIC

means of considerable saving in trucking expense if this is done.

As a result of the first few months' operation the saving in both time and men began to be apparent. The

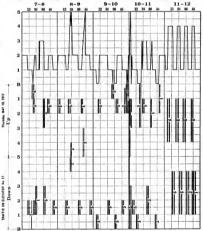


FIG. 2. STUDY OF A DAY'S OPERATION OF ONE ELEVATOR
This gives the time of each trip and delays at each floor, traffic between different floors,
both up and down, nature and number of loads carried, and number of employees carried

ter of policy with the production departments and we following are among the more striking examples. CONCRETE RESULTS

A finished product had to be trucked in box trucks

from one building to another over an inclined bridge. These box trucks had a capacity of 700 pounds and eight or nine trips a day were made with them. Five men were necessary to negotiate the bridge with this



TWO TYPES OF HEAVY BUTY PLATFORMS Used by large hand elevating and electric Irucks. The one on the right is the newer type and considered the best yet developed

truck and they accompanied it through the entire route. Each trip took from half an hour to an hour and a quarter, an average of perhaps three-quarters of an hour. With the electric truck a box of 1,000 pounds

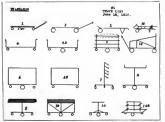


FIG. 4. ONE OF A SERIES OF CHARTS FOR CLASSIFICATION OF THE 35 TYPES OF TRUCKS IN USE

capacity is used. One man places this truck on an elevator which takes it to the location where the electric truck picks it up. By this arrangement four of the men formerly used in this work are eliminated at



A FEW OF THE 35 TYPES OF TRUCKS IN USE WHEN TRUCKING DEPARTMENT BEGAN OPERATIONS

a net saving of about \$3,000 per annum, after deducting electric truck charges. This saving has been made in the face of a 20 per cent. increase in the production of the department.

Boxes and containers brought from stores were formerly trucked on small hand trucks as needed, each trip requiring an hour or more. Generally four trips were made each day. One electric truck with platforms now makes two trips a day and keeps this department supplied with boxes 24 hours ahead of its requirements,

Components, formerly trucked by three men with small trucks from one department to another over a short distance, are now moved on large elevating hand trucks by one man.

In one department where 35 truckers were employed, all have been dispensed with in favor of two hand truckers and an electric truck devoted exclusively to this service.

These examples show in a concrete way what has been accomplished. There has also resulted from the close scrutiny of trucking expense a rather remarkable readjustment of labor in departments not yet affected by the operations of the trucking department. The reduction in trucking expense in these departments has been due to a feeling that reductions in the force had best be made by the department itself rather than by any outside agency. This condition would not have been brought about but for the establishment of and results obtained by the trucking department.

It is essential that in establishing a centralized trucking force some means be adopted for recording the

work done and the cost of doing it.

In this case it was not feasible to establish a record of tonnage and it was therefore decided to have the performance reported on a time-and-trip basis. Later the length of trips were found to vary to such an extent that the trip record was discontinued and the trucks assigned to zones with a record kept of their time in motion. A chart of this record, Figure 7, showing the percentage of total day, in actual motion by months, is illustrative of the change that may be brought about by supervision. The average of the three elevating type industrial trucks during November was 75 per cent. while the two platform trucks average 45 per cent. during the same period. This comparative result is natural because of the time required to load and unload platform trucks while they stand idle.



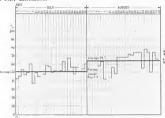
FIG. 6. STYLE OF TRUCKING ORDER USED

#### ALLOTING THE EXPENSE

The first question as to such service is, how should it be paid for and by whom ordered? This was settled by issuing the following order:

Routine Trucking. A department requiring routine trucking will fill out an order for each type of trucking or for each commodity to be trucked during a period of one week or less. Single Loads. Single loads or single batches of equipment, Single Loads. Single loads or single batches of equipment, materials or finished products will be moved on special order which will specify the amount of work to be done. All charges against a department will be based on these orders and such charges will be made on an hourly basis. The rate will be dependent on the actual labor cost and overhead for the use

of electric trucks or hand trucks. Charges will be based on the amount of time actually used from the time the truck arrives at the department until the goods have been delivered at their destination.



The trucking department assumes no responsibility for loading platforms or trailers, except where trucking order calls for such service, and delays occasioned by waiting for loads will be charged against the department causing them.

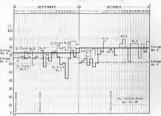


FIG. 7.—CHARTS SHOWING RESULTS DETAINED BY CLOSE—SUPERVISION OF TRUCKING OPERATIONS.

Each truck was equipped with a recording device to show "time in motion" and "idle time".

Making Out Orders. Trucking numbers will be numbered serially and will be made out in duplicate. The department foreman will sign these requisitions or delegate some one to do so for him.

No orders will be accepted without a signed requisition. In the case of emergency, telephone orders will be filled, and the requisition sent to the foreman for signature at the time the trucking is done. The foreman will give to the truckman loah copies of the order, retaining as a check the stub from the original copy.

The trucking department will retain the original copy until the work is completed, and will then return it to the foreman This order form, Figure 6, was issued first weekly for routing work, but as the expense distribution was made on a monthly basis it was found to be better to make orders on the same basis which was finally done. Orders other than routine are handled by the same form, but each special order must be issued on this form and the cost charged against the order number. In order that the general manager's office may be kept in constant touch with the work, reports are made each day giving the amount of equipment work.



FIG. 8. FIVE MEN REQUIRED FOR THIS LOAD USING THE HAND TRUCK

giving him the amount of time charged against this order. The duplicate, which will be printed on heavier paper, will be retained in the trucking department where all the time charged against this order will be entered.

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Cost Department. At the end of the week all trucking orders giving the total amount of time and the charge rate entered on them will be sent to the cost department as a basis for charging each department as a basis for charging each department with the work which has been done for it.

FIG 9. COMBINATION HAND TRUCK TRAILER
AND ELEVATING PLATFORM BOING THE
NAME WORK

ing, the number of men employed, the breakdowns both on trucks and elevators. These reports with the exception of the breakdown report are made in duplicate, one remaining in the trucking office and the original sent to the general manager. The breakdown report showing mechanical defects and length of interruptions to service go to the chief engineer in charge of maintenance and equipment as well as the general manager so as to enable both to be fully informed.

#### REPAIRING TRUCKING EQUIPMENT

For the purpose of more accurate record it was de-



FIG. 10. HOW THE ELECTRIC TRUCK SAVES LABOR
These men with small hand elevating trucks as shown in. B were hauling
these drume before the new, large equipment A was introduced. Now one
man does the work of three and electric trucks help where load must be
carried some dislance.

cided to establish a card record for each piece of equipment in the entire plant whether used by the trucking or any other department. The trucking department is now responsible for the mechanical condition of all



FIG. 11. SHARP RIGHT ANGLE TURNS PROTECTED BY MIRRORS

trucking equipment and it seemed advisable to establish some record for each piece of equipment. The advisability of making costly repairs on old equipment that has outlived its estimated life may, and should be, determined through a record of this sort. That little or no thought has been given to the matter of repairs was evident from the large number of hand trucks constantly in the repair shop. Many of these had practically to be rebuilt before being put back into service. The most casual examination showed that little care had been exercised in their upkeep, and many had been allowed to reach a state of dilapidation beyond repair. This was a case for further centralization and the trucking department finally took over the responsibility for the mechanical condition of the trucks. An inspector was put in charge of this work and given a small enclosure for storing and cleaning nutroes.

A large number of trucks with small wheels were being operated carrying heavy loads and it was decided that staudard wheels should be adopted and all old sizes climinated. It was obvious that the wheels used were too small and that they were breaking floors, door sills and incidentally themselves under heavy loads. As it was obvious that larger wheels were desirable it was decided to establish a minimum of six inches for the smallest diameter of wheels were desirable it was decided to establish a minimum of six inches for the smallest diameter of wheels were deconfined to six and eight inches for castors and ten and twelve inches for stores and ten and twelve inches for stationary wheels. The 12-inch wheels are to be universally equipped with either roller bearings or pin bearings, and the castors are to be finished both as to the bore of the hub and the pin.

Too much stress cannot be laid upon the subject of a definite mechanical supervision over trucking equipment. It was found that the band truck, which under normal loads and proper maintenance will require one or two men to operate, may easily become defective to such an extent that one or more extra men will be required. This matter of mechanical repair and upkeep applies also to floor conditions.

Figures 8 to 11, inclusive, show a few features of the equipment. In each case the caption of the illustration is descriptive.

The successful operation of this department shows that trucking may and should be considered as a productive division of the factory organization, instead of an overhead expense, and that it can be controlled and supervised with as good results as any other department in a plant.

#### Work of the U. S. Forest Service

THE following extracts from the annual report of the Chief Forester contains the following important information and throws a great deal of light upon the activities of this branch of the government:

"In the work relating to forest utilization and forest products, the resources of the service have been employed to the limit of their capacity since the war began in rendering assistance to the War and Navy Departments, the Emergency Fleet Corporation, various committees of the Council of National Defense, and maniacturers of war orders. The peace-time program has been largely discontinued. The force and the work bave been centered in Washington and Madison, Every effort has been made to bring available knowledge to the attention of the organizations which have need for it and to assist in anticipating their problems."

#### Tests of Wood

Approximately 10,000 additional tests of mechanical properties of various species of wood were made during the year, which brings the total number of tests of the character up to about 130,000.

Prior to the beginning of the war tests on methods of kiln-drying lumber were continued as in the past. A process was perfected under which bemlock shiplar can be dried to shipping condition with practically no loss of grade in 40 to 48 hours. Satisfactory results were also obtained with Douglas fir and white fir.

### Cooperative Shop Gardening

#### How the Whitcomb-Blaisdell Machine Tool Company Organized A Farm Project for Its Employees

By Chas. E. Hildreth

The Parton Potato Syndicate, organized by Mr. Illidrettl's firm for the henefit of lit employees, sold shares at \$\$5\$ cach and returned to each share-holder four bushels of potatoes. This tongible result was in addition to the developing of asphedial spirit of cooperation among all teho had anything to do with the project.

Mr. Charles F. Hildreth, after receiving his education at Amherst and in business became a partner of P. Blaisdell & Company in 1892. In 1895, he became

ITH the first indications of a shortage of food, the Whitcomb-Plaisdell Machine Tool Company, Worcester, Mass, organized what was known as the Paxton Potato Syndicate. This took is name from the town of Paxton, six miles from Worcester, in which was a farm owned by

Mr. William A. Blaisdell who had been for a number of years a stockholder in the above company. Mr. Blaisdell agreed to lease 20 acres of his farm and take charge of the planting, growing and harvesting for the syndicate.

Six hundred shares were authorized by the Whitcomb-Blaisdell Company and 400 shares sold to the employees in both the machine and foundry departments at \$5 per share, and all the issued stock was taken up.

The stockholders then chose from among their number a committee of control, consisting of three from the machine shop and three from the foundry department. This committee. working with the president and treasurer of the company, directed and managed the syndicate. First, the 20 acres were thoroughly inspected by a representative of the State Agricultural Department, who advised on the soil and methods of cultivation. His advice was followed strictly. Much of the land was rank with witch-grass, Fertilizer was procured and put on, about one ton to each acre. About 15 acres were seeded to potatoes; two and one-half acres to beans; twothirds of an acre to carrots: threefourths of an acre to onions; oneeighth of an acre to turnips. There was produced a yield of about 2000 bushels of potatoes; 30 bushels of beans; 33 bushels of onions; 270 bushels of carrots; 76 bushels of turnips.

All the above crops were planted on the witch-grass land except the carrots, onions and about two acres of potatoes. These two acres yielded a trifle over 200

bushels to the acre.

This coming year measures have been taken to eliminate all the witch-grass and the 15 acres should then

Vice-President and then Treasurer of the Whitom of Blaided Machine Tool Company, and since the 19th has been President and General Manager of that firm the is a Director of the Worester Electric Company.

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show a yield of at least 3000 bushels. An interesting feature of the witch-grass problem was the interest created in the farm among the men by taking them up in trucks after working hours and giving them the task of curbing the nuisance. The first night a load of 25







FARMING BY MACHINE SHOP AND FOUNDRY EMPLOYEES NEAR WORCESTER, MASS.

went from the foundry and the next night an equal number from the machine shop. When the foundry went next there were so many who wanted to go that it took two trucks and later three. The machinists rever took so kindly to the work as did the moulders, but this was only natural as the character of the work was much easier for the latter and sore muscles and lame backs not so numerous. The moulders made regular pienics of it, got up songs, yells, etc., and later acquired the habit of Sunday pienics at the farm; all of which created not only a lively interest in the project but a splendid spirit among the men. When the crops were harvested each shareholder received four bushels apiece per share which at the cost of \$5 gate them their potatoes at \$1.25 per bushel, which was under the market price at any time this season. This was

the agreement made by the company whether they made on the project or not. To help make up the defficiency the men agreed to sell the remaining potatoes and other vegetables, giving their own number the first oppor-

Now, although this will not entirely reimburse the company for the money invested, the management feels that the investment was worth more than the money and proposes to run the farm again this summer. With all the farming implements now purchased and the witch-grass problem out of the way, everyone looks forward to much better results in the coming year.

### Shop Gardening as a War Measure

### How Factory Employees Can Help Increase the Food Supply By Luther D. Burlingame

Last summer there was a two-fold incestive to cultivate gardens; The nation's food suply needed to be increased, and the high cost of living was thinning the householder's pockethook. The problem was to increase the production of food without certailing industrial labor or drawing upon regular farm activities. The Brown & Sharpe Manafesturing Company fastered gardening among its employees with the satisfactory results outlined in this article.

Mr. Luther D. Burlingame, Industrial Superintend-

In the spring of 1017, when a plan of cooperation was presented to the employees of the Brown & Sharpe Manufacturing Company, Providence, R. I., the company offering to secure, fertilize and plow land for gardens if the men would provide the seed and cultivate them, the response was such as to leave no doubt of the williagness, in fact eagentess, of the men to do their part. The number desiring to cultivate gardens exceeded by several times the original estimates made by those who were sponsors for the plan, so that additional tracts of land, beyond what had first been planned for lad to be secured to supply even a small garden for each applicant.

The land secured for these gardens was located in three different sections of the city of Providence, but in centers where many of the workmen lived. Some of the land was leased. In other cases its use was donated by public-spirited citizens or corporations (with hearts). The Retail Merchants' Division of the Providence Chamber of Commerce, as well as the Providence Recreation Board, delegated by the city to aid in this work, gave active assistance.

Over 500 gardens covering 30 acres of land were successfully cultivated under the supervision of the Brown & Sharpe Company. It is the purpose of this-article to describe the methods by which the organization was perfected and the work carried on, hoping that the experience may prove an incentite to others to carry out similar projects during the coming season, and also serve as a guide to those that do so.

That such a movement can be well worth while is shown by the fact that the crops from these gardens returned produce to a value of approximatey \$10,000, and added to the food supply about 3000 bushels of potatoes, 254 bushels of beans, 223 bushels of tomatoes, 5½ tons of turnips, over 2 tons of carrots, 3 tons of cabbage, nearly a ton of parsnips besides beets, squash, corn, celery, etc., in large quantities. The great variety raised was indicated by a remark of the clerk working on the job of tabulating the returns from the garden at

ent of the Brown & Sharte works, served a drafting room and machine-they apprenticating with that form and for twenty-tic year was its chief draftsman. He is an active member of the 4.5, M. B., chairman of its sub-committee on limits and tolerances of screw threads, and chairman of its committee on standards and measurements. He is a past president of the Prosidence Engineering Society and a frequent contributor to the technical press, including INDUSTRIAL MANNOR. MENT; also a contributor to technical societies.

the close of the season. After a hard day's work he said that he felt as if he had been having "boiled dinner" all day.

It will be noted that the crops raised were largely staples that the men could store in their cellars for winter use, and they are proving of material help to many a family during the present winter.

The carrying out of this enterprise also encouraged the cultivation of home gardens by employees and their friends so that the total results attained were very gratifying and far exceeded the figures given.

#### GARDEN CAMPAIGN OPENED

The campaign was opened by the posting of a notice, Figure 1, on the shop bulletin boards. Cards, Figure 2, were furnished to the clerks in each department on which the men could make application for gardens. The plot number was left blank on these cards until after the drawing by lot for location. In order that the men might secure gardens as near as possible to their place of residence, the plots were divided into several groups, and the gardens were assigned to those living in each neighborhood by drawing lots. After the drawing the number of the garden was filled in on the card, the required requisitions for fertilizer, and the seed that had been ordered, went through the supply department. What had been ordered was charged against the workman's account. He could then secure his supplies from headquarters at the garden. The supplies purchased in this way were obtained at wholesale prices, the men being charged only enough above cost to pay for the handling and accounting. A blue card, Figure 3, was made out for each gardener, with his name, address and plot number. This showed where he had been assigned, and became his official card to show that he or any member of his family carrying it had a right on his garden. This was one of the means used of protecting the garden against depredations, as these cards were requested to be shown whenever required, that it might be known that the worker was not a trespasser.

After the returns had been made showing which men desired to cultivate gardens, they were called together at a noontime mass meeting and general instructions and information given as to the method of conducting the work. A Gardening Club was organized with elected officers representing, so far as possible, different departments of the shop and different plots of land to be cultivated. While the general administration of the project was in the hands of the shop Industrial Department, the Gardening Club was consulted and asked to pass on many matters which had to do with the satisfactory carrying on of the work, thus giving the men something to say as to what should be done.

#### NEED OF STARTING EARLY

With the shortage of labor and difficulty in securing seed, fertilizer, manure, etc., in the spring of 1917, it required heroic measures to get the garden project under way within a reasonable time. As a substitute for manure, which could not be secured in the quantities needed, although several carloads were obtained by shipment from Boston, street sweepings were utilized. This material combined with sheep manure and commercial tertilizer gave excellent results.

Much of the plowing had to be done with inexperienced help although a power tractor was obtained for a part of the job. The ground was staked with stakes 2 x 2 x 18 inches long into plots, each containing from 2000 to 2,500 square feet. The numbers of the plots were stenciled on all four sides of the stakes, and as they were

set diagonally at the corners of the plots, the number of each plot showed at every corner. These stakes have been left in the ground for use during the coming season, so that those desiring to retain the same garden they had last year can do so and start work as early as they wish in the spring. This makes it necessary for each man to dig over the ground for his garden instead of having it plowed; not a hard task for a small garden as the ground, thanks to last year's cultivation, will thereby be in mellow condition,

Administration of the Gardens

A young man, a practical farmer who had had training in an agricultural college, was employed as superintendent of the gardens, to have general supervision and to give in-

structions to those who had not previously had gardening experience. A Satuday afternoon meeting was arranged just before the gardens were ready for planting, at which Professor S. C. Damon of the Rhode "those who used the street cars, Island Agricultural College gave a talk and demoustration on the cutting and planting of "seed" potatoes.

The large attendance and great interest shown at this meeting proved that the hearts of the men were in the project; in fact this was in evidence all throughout the undertaking to the end of the season.

#### TOOL SHEDS AND SHELTERS

At the largest garden center a tool shed about 16 x 36 feet in size was erected where running water was available and a man placed in charge, so that tools could be given out on check. This building served as a shelter in case of storm, and for storing extra fertilizer and other material.

At one of the smaller gardens a tool shed was also provided. The group of 25 men cultivating this garden had a celebration and flag-raising. Figure 4 shows this garden later on, when the potatoes were in bloom. The plan was carried out of having the main tool shed open from daylight in the morning until shortly before working hours each week day, again at noontime, from six o'clock in the afternoon until dark at night;

A CHANCE TO SERVE YOUR COUNTRY AND YOUR FAMILY BY HELPING TO HEET THE SERIOUS SHORTAGE IN THE FOOD SUPPLY CULTIVATE A GARDEN THIS SUMMER.

THE BROWN & SHARPE MIG CO., WILL COOPERATE BY FURNISHING LAND, PLOWING, AND FERTILIZER FREE FOR THOSE WHO WILL RAISE CHOPS FOR NEXT WINTER'S USE PRIZES TO BE AWARDED WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER FOR LOCATIONS OF LAND SEE MAPHEREWITH IF ENOUGH APPLY FROM OTHER SECTIONS OF THE CITY, AN EFFORT

WILL BE MADE TO SECURE LAND IN THOSE NEIGHBORHOODS EXPERT INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE GIVEN FREE. MAKE APPLICATIONS THROUGH YOUR CLERK TO THE INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT.

Becom & Sunger Hee Co.

FIG. 1. NOTICE POSTED ON BULLETIN BOARDS

also on Saturday afternoons and to some extent on Sundays. A charge of 50 cents was made for those who desired to hire tools and a large supply of ordinary garden implements and wheelbarrows was secured, so that men need not have the expense of purchasing a full set. This also was convenient for those coming from



FIG. 2. CARD ON WHICH APPLICATION FOR GARDEN WAS MADE. THE REQUISITION FOR TOOLS, FERTILIZER AND SEED WAS ENTERED ON BACK

a distance, as all could obtain the tools on check and leave them when through their work without having to carry them back and forth, an especial advantage for

### B. & S. GARDENING CLUB

#### Mr. J. SULLIVAN Plot No. J 5 Address 43 OOBORN &T. Reg No. 33396

- i. Members shall keep their plot weeded and as free from bugs or
- injurious insects as possible.

  II. Members shall not throw refuse on neighboring plots or in paths.

  After harvesting, lots are to be cleaned and refuse taken to place.
- provided.

  III. Members shall not plant closer than 12° from boundary line. Anyone working your lot must show this card

FIG. 3. OFFICIAL "BLUE CARD" NOTIFYING OF LOCATION OF GARDEN; PROOF OF A RIGHT TO BE ON THE GARDEN LOT WHEN CHALLENGED

In many cases gardens became family affairs, and all

the members of the family took part, either in the work or in supervision. Figure 5 illustrates this feature.

As the season advanced a spirit of good fellowship, and the forming of new acquaintances among those who found themselves cultivating neighboring gardens, was



FIG. 4. SATURDAY AFTERNOON AT ONE OF THE GARDENS, POTATOES IN BLOSSOM

one of the features which added to the value of the garden project. It was sometimes found that a laborer working side by side with a foreman could, from the gardeners' standpoint, turn the tables, become instructor and set the pace. When illness prevented some man from working and there were no members of his family



FIG. 5. GARDENS OFTEN BECOME FAMILY AFFAIRS

to help out, shopmates often volunteered and cared for his garden or even harvested his crops for him.

INSTRUCTION AND INSPECTION

To insure the success of the gardens even when cultivated by inexperienced gardeners, careful instructions were given, not only by the superintendent in charge but by notices sent to each gardener—(see Fig. 6). Often gardens cultivated by men having had experience adjoined those where the workers were amateurs. In such cases the best of good will was shown in giving and taking advice and instruction.

Inspections of the gardens were regularly made by the superintendent, and a book record kept with an entry for each garden. This showed the condition at the time of each inspection. Whenever a garden showed signs of being neglected a notice was sent to the workman. Not only was he stimulated into liringing his

garden into good condition again, but the knowledge of the fact that such inspections were being made spurred many to even greater effort so as to keep their gardens in a condition above criticism.

#### DEPREDATIONS

Many of the men took the gardening so seriously that questions, sometimes of a petty nature, were constantly coming up for consideration and at times small troubles were magnified. On the whole, however, the hest of spirit was shown, even when there were losses from their or from straying cattle.

Every effort was made to prevent depredations, guards being employed part of the time, and the conjectation of the police department and other officials also secured. In spite of all efforts, there was some thicking, but it amounted to a surprisingly small percentage of the total value of the crops raised. This did not make it any casier, however, for the person losing his crops, perhaps several bushels of potatoes, or some time squashes in which he was taking special pride.

Among the steps taken to avoid such losses was the creating through the public press of a sentiment emphasizing the special meanness of thieving from work-men who, from patriotic motives, went to the extra labor of raising produce under difficulties, in addition to doing their day's work in the shop. A mutual insurance plan against thieving was considered but was not put into effect because of the difficulty of proving losses,

#### OVERCOMING TROUBLES

Men came for advice regarding all sorts of troubles, watching with "eagle eye" over the condition of their gardens and bringing in samples of various kinds of bugs and diseased plants for advice. Lice among other pests attacked the potatoes for a time. The flourishing condition of the gardens as a whole, however, gave continued satisfaction to those having the success of the project at heart. This flourishing condition was illustrated by one man who came for advice very much worried because his cabbages were growing so fast that they cracked and he wanted to know "how to stop them from growing so fast."

Through a misunderstanding in the assignments two men were located on the same lot and each lad fertilized and planted it to his own liking without knowing of the work of the other. A satisfactory adjustment was unde by giving these men additional land but the double-planted garden developed interesting results in mixed crops. Had there been available the wizardry of a Burbank, there might have been produced some new and woulderful crosses in the vegetable line. As it was it produced crops of high value—for one reason because of its double fertilizing.

The fact that practically all of the gardens were well fertilized had much to do with their success, as compared with the amateur garden usually encountered.

#### PRIZE CONTESTS

As the season progressed a friendly rivalry between the different plats as well as between individual gardens was encouraged.

Eighteen prizes were offered by the company for the best crops as to size and quality. An exhibit (see Figure 7) was held, and more than one hundred entries were made for the prizes; among these were 4.2 pecks of Ar potatoes. First, second and third prizes were awarded for the best pecks of potatoes, the largest produced, the best beans, best dozen of parsnips, carrols and turnips, and for the largest of each of these latter by weight. The prizes were offered for staple crops weeds and was so wet that it could not be plowed. It only, it will be noted.

Prizes were also offered by the Retail Merchants' Division of the Providence Chamber of Commerce for family and individual gardens in the community, and

weeds and was so wet that it could not be plowed. It was divided into small plots, however, and the men were offered an opportunity to go in and "grub it out." A number took advantage of this, trenching between the plots so that the water would flow off, and turning



FIG. 6. SAMPLES OF NOTICES THAT WERE DISPLAYED GIVING INTRUCTIONS AND ADVICE TO AMATEUR GARDENERS

the Brown and Sharpe gardens came in for a liberal number of the awards in the classes in which they competed. A careful record of the produce of each garden, and its value, was kept, and tabulated for use in this latter competition. Refer to Figure 8.

Just at Christmas time the awards were made, \$216 in prizes coming to the company's gardeners. This sum included club prizes for each of the seven sections into which the gardens had been divided, one of these sections securing first prize. By vote of the officers, the club prizes, amounting to \$130 were donated to the American Red Cross. A first prize was also received by a member of the Brown & Sharpe Gardening Club for the best individual garden. Accompanying each money prize was a certificate, shown in Figure 9, page 209, which the recipients always prize highly.

#### RECLAIMING WASTE LAND

The workman who won first prize not only had a successful garden where he raised potatoes and beans, but in addition he cultiviated a garden in some reclaimed swamp land that the company had secured on account of the shortage of other land to meet the gardening needs. The latter plot yielded an exceptionally good crop of carrots, parsings, etc, the two gardens together produced crops valued at \$68.80. The use of this swamp land was an experiment and was interesting as showing large returns from what had previously been considered land absolutely worthless for garden purposes, and land which had never been previously cultitated. It was grown up to a solid mat of grass and

over the sod so that it was buried beneath the soil. Lime was used liberally on this land and it yielded excellent crops without manuring. It is hoped that even better results may be obtained from it during the coming season, because of its now having been worked into a friable condition, and because it will be available to use much earlier in the season thun last year. The



FIG. 7. GARDEN EXHIBIT HELD IN A SHED AT THE FACTORY AT THE CLOSE OF THE SEASON, IN COMPETITION FOR PRIZES

draining already done will help to dry it out earlier. The crops may then be matured and harvested without danger of an early frost which last year wrought serious havoc in this particular garden, because of its swampy location and late planting that was necessary.

#### Extremes Meet As Prizewinners

The second prize was taken by an amateur gardener, who, without previous experience, but with enthusiasm and industry coupled with a willingness and ability to learn, secured a crop valued at \$47.60.

The opposite extreme was shown by another prizewinner, who was an experienced gardener and secured the solution drying on the leaves leaving the poison to do its work,

The largest crop of potatoes in a single garden (20 bushels) was raised on a lot which the gardener enlarged by digging up land which had been a dump beyond the plowing. The secret, however, of this large yield was that in addition to fertilizing well he buried all the sod beneath the drills where the potatoes were planted, giving the extra value of the rotting sod as food for the growing plants.

		P	POTATOES				BEANS		TURNIPS		PARSNIPS		ROTS	TOM	ATOES	CAE	BAGE	MISCELLA	<b>YEOUS</b>	TOTAL	TOTAL
NAME	LOT	BU /	SHI 2	LS 3	VALUES	PKS.	YALUE	LBS	VALUE	LBS	VALUE	LBS	VALUE	PKS.	VALUE	LBS.	YALUE	KIND	VALUE	COST	VALUE
Gomes, FM.	1	4	6	4	27.60		.60											RADISHES	1.00	7.75	23.80
Johnson, S.N.	2	4	5	1	17.00	4	1.20													4.00	18.20
Rich, Jas.	3	8	3	3	23.80	4	.75											Scorn (3.doz)	45	400	25.00
Zurier. L.	4	9	3	2	24.80															410	2480
Hird, F.A.	5	8	2	14	20.45									П						3.38	2045
Hines, H.V.	6	7	1	2	16.10															2.65	16.10
Heddle, D.	7	42	25	3 É	18.10															4.30	18.10
Thornton, E.L.	8	2	2 %	4	12.00			70	1.40			15	15							2.50	13.83
Knight, F.C.	9	4	13	3	14.80	2	.20	35	.70			72	.23							3.90	15.93
Mc Elroy, J.H.	10	7	1	2	17.60	1	.40									Г				5.30	18.00
Rougvie, A.	11	6	1	2	15.60	ź	.20	50	1.00			5	50			Г			.50	6.50	17.80
Nystrom, C.N.	12	2	4	1/2	11.90									Г						5.73	11.90
Hoxie, H.B.	13	3	4	5	18.00	17E)	3.60	120	2.50					7	2.25	37	1.11	I-Bu Beets	2.50	7.00	29.9€
Markham, E.H.	14	8	4	1	23.40	7/63	252													3.40	25.92
Mitchella	10	-	14	1	72.40				_		-		_				_			4.40	23.4 0

FIG. 8. DETAILED RECORD OF YIELD AND VALUE OF PRODUCE OF EACH GARDEN ON WHICH AWARDS OF PRIZES WERE BASED

an exceptionally good crop even though putting the least work of any into his garden, because he knew just when to do the work and how to make it effective. He prepared the ground and cut and planted the "seed" potatoes during one Saturday afternoon, and at the end of the season harvested 15½ bushels of potatoes in a like time. He chose very hot days to hoe so that the weeds would be killed by the sun's heat, and the ground

The Providence Chamber of Commerce these teams the same that the same th

FIG. 9. AWARDS IN THE PATRIOTIC FOOD PRODUCING CONTEST IN PROVIDENCE

kept in condition with fewer hoeings than required by those who hoed on rainy or damp days. He chose his days for spraying so that it was done in dry weather, The largest yield of potatoes per acre of any of the gardens was 17 bushels (mostly No. 1 grade) on a garden of 2,000 square feet. This is at the rate of about 358 bushels to the acre.

A gratifying feature was the large yield after practical farmers, and others ready to give advice, had spoken discouragingly as to the fertility of some sections of the land and predicted that crops could not be raised on it especially by amateurs. At the beginning of the season an analysis of the soil of the more important tracts had been made by the County Agent of the Farm Bureau, and advice had been given the men as to what crops could best be produced on the different tracts, also as to where and to what extent lime was needed on the land. So far as the men followed the advice based on this information they were usually successful. Some, however, tried to raise peas, green corn and other summer crops on land not suitable, and the results were almost uniformly disappointing. This shows the importance of knowing beforehand what are the conditions and conforming to them,

#### PRECAUTIONS FOR FACTORY GARDENS

When the Irown & Sharpe garden project was first considered, it was urged that it should either not be undertaken at all or else be gone into in a comprehensive way, and not with the idea of "playing at" gardening as is so often done by amateurs. It is believed that unless an industrial organization is willing to undertake such a profect seriously, provide the necessary personnel and funds, and enter into it in a way to insure plans being carried out, unsatisfactory results will follow. 210 March, 1918

### Labor Factors in Our Shipping Program

#### How to Procure and Maintain Shipyard Workers and Hasten the Building of Our Emergency Fleet

By Roy Willmarth Kelly

A force of 250,000 men is to be enrolled to build our emergency fleet, of which some 1,500 vessels are under construction in 132 shipyards. The reol obstacle to manning these yards is the excessive lobor turnover. In a few cases o sufficient number of men have been secured, employment and service departments have been established, housing has been looked ofter and methods of training set up. All of these points are helpfully discussed in this orticle from the background of actual

Mr. Kelly has had extensive experience in technical and industrial training, including the positions of oct-

El'ORTS of two significant shipbuilders' conferences have been published by the Industrial Service Department of the Emergency Fleet Corporation. Both of these conferences devoted the major part of their attention to four problems:

1. Scamping, or the practice of taking men from other yards; 2. Locating and distributing the available supply of labor; 3. Employment and service departments in the ship yards and the preparation of personnel executives; 4. An industrial training program for work-

The results which have been attained following the

recommendations of these two conferences are of far reaching importance, not alone to the shipbuilding industry, but to all employers. They are of permanent interest to any satisfactory solution of our labor difficulties and, for that reason, the ef-

forts of the industrial branch of the Emergency Flect Corporation to tide over the war crisis in the ship yards are of much more than temporary consequence.

Those who are familiar with the turnover figures from the steel mills, building trades, structural steel work, and other occupations similar to those found in ship yards, will appreciate the extent of the task faced by the shipbuilders. Chairman Edwin N. Hurley of the Shipping Board recently stated before the Senate Investigating Committee that a total of 1427 merchant vessels were under construction in 132 different ship yards. These yards and the fabricating plants supplying them are scattered over 25 states, from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the Lakes to the Gulf. On January 1, 1917, seventy-four of these yards existed only in contracts and blueprints. Several are now employing from 10,000 to 12,000 men each. When completed, the Hog Island vard near Philadelphia will reunire over 35,000 employees. To point out that in the nine weeks beginning October 6, 1917, the number of men engaged in 109 yards was increased by 45.2 per cent, shows at once the magnitude of the recruiting program.

ing principal of the Technical High School, Fall River, Massachusetts, vice principal Pacific Grove High School, Monterey County, Californio, and director of vocational guidance in the pre-vocational schools of Boston, Massachusetts. He is now Director of the Bureau of Vocational Guidance of Harvard University. At the request of the Emergency Fleet Corporation. this Bureou has recently completed a book describing the leading shipbuilding trades and giving an account of the experience and general qualifications necessory for them with the object of recruiting a lorge body of workers and giving them oll available information.

CAN ENOUGH MEN BE FOUND TO BUILD OUR SHIPS IN TIME?

The accomplishments of a few yards where the working force has been built up successfully with little or no Federal aid shows that there are plenty of capable men available. The Fore River plant of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation had 3,700 men on its pay rolls in May, 1917. On December 7, 1917, the total had been increased to 10,253. This was brought about almost wholly by machinery already in force which had not been used by other manufacturers. Among the means utilized were cooperation with Federal and State em-

ployment offices, the Y. M. C. A., and educational institutions, advertising at the state fairs, and developing an employment and welfare service and advertising it in a perfectly

legitimate way. Mr. Morgan who had charge of constructing the

Collis Potter Huntington. This inscription is on a stone tablet in the ship yard at Newport News. It is a splendid motto for Liberty shipbuilders,

We shall build good ships here,

At a profit if we can,

At a loss if we must,

But always good ships,

canonment at Ayer, Massachusetts, and who has had experience in building wooden ships, has this to say of

the supply of carpenters and shipwrights: "At the beginning of the war, I was delegated to cover New England and get a line on the men who were willing to take up government work. According to the statistics of our general secretary, there are about 35,000 competent ship carpenters registered from different parts of the country belonging to our union. . . . There are 65,000 organized carpenters in New England."

It is only fair to suppose that many of the men referred to by Mr. Morgan could readily undertake shipyard work.

During the month of October, 1917, Federal employment bureaus placed 45,000 people in productive in-dustries. In November of last year, Mr. C. T. Clayton, Chief of the Federal Employment Service, stated that 146,000 men were then listed who were willing to take up employment in different parts of the country.

With the present extended organization of Federal labor reserves and the excellent work being done by the National Chamber of Commerce and other organizations, there seems to be every reason to suppose that it will be possible to locate enough men who are willing



TRADE	INCHE CO	RATE	TRADE	EXPERCI	RATE	TRADE	LENCTH OF CHECK	RATE	TRADE	THE PARTY	RATE
1 Acety Welder		)	21 Pipe Coverer	1		41 Shearer		1	61 Switchman		YARO
2 Boher Up			22 Plumber			42 Shipernth		E SE	62		Ja
3 Caulker & Chipper			23 Sheet Met Wor			43 Templet Make		E	63		
4 Driller & Reamer			24 Ship Rigger	FITTERS	Ē	44 Toolmaker		]=	64 Boatman		18
5 Fairer	CONSTRUCTORS		25 Sign Painter		1	45			65 Inspector		GENERAL
6 Gun Riveter	1		26 Staging Builder	1	12	46			66		
7 Pecker	100		27 Steam Fitter	T		47			67		
8 Passer Boy	38		28 Tinemith		Ì	48 Brakeman		1	68		
9 - Rivet Heater			29		-	49 Chauffeur			69 Bricklayer		
10 Ship Fitter	1	HEL	30			50 Conductor			70 Carpenter		8
11			31			51 Elec-Craneman			71 CementWorker		ST.
12		*	32 Bench Hand			52 Elec Derrick Operator			72 Lather		CONSTRUCTION
13			33 Blackemath			53 Fireman		~	73 Metal Lather		
14 Coppersmith			34 Furnace Heater			54 (Protec.)		YARO	74 Plasterer		8
15 Deck Fitter			35 Lathe Hand		co.	55 Garage Mechanic		1	75 Struct Iron Worker		
16 Electrician	=		36 Machine Hand		SHOP	56 Gasoline Enganeer			76		
17 Joiner	FITERS		37 Machinist		6	57 Guard			77		0
18 Layer Out	01		38 Mach. Riveter		1	58 Engineer			78 Laborer		GENERAL
19 Painter			39 Puncher			59 Locomotive Engineer			79		ř
20 Pipe Fitter			40 Roller			60 Stationary Engineer			80		

Note below any other position you are qualified to fill, the name of the firm by whom you were employed, the rate of wages you were paid, the date of entering and leaving this employment, and the reason for leaving.

Signa	dure	Address						
Date								
	Should you change your address, secure emp	oloyment elsewhere or do	be	retained	on	live	list,	

COMBINED APPLICATION BLANK AND EMPLOYEES' RECORD CARD

to do the work of the yards. But this does not end the crisis. Many of the yards are now producing much less than their maximum output due to lack of labor. The situation has been complicated by cold winter weather and the coal shortage. It will become more acute as the new yards now being rushed to completion call for their full allotment of workmen.

LABOR TURNOVER: THE REAL OBSTACLE TO MAN-NING THE SHIP YARDS

At the Ship Vard Employment Managers' Conference in Washington last November, Admiral Capps made this significant statement: "In 64 yards of which we have recently had accurate data, the turnover averaged 25 per cent., and probably was 300 per cent. at the last report. You can well realize what this means in the volume of men passing through our works in the course of a year without any adequate return in abor." This proportion probably holds true in other establishments not reported.

Although these figures represent the turnover during the construction period and under had weather conditions, there is ample rea-

son to believe that large labor fluctuations are still going on.

Accepting the conservative estimate of 500,000 men needed in the ship yards, the total number to be hired every year if this turnover persists will far exceed the

Expressing the term of service from such a table as an average does not properly describe employment conditions. To say that the average term of service is 2.6 years, balances a few long term employees against a large number who have been in the organization only

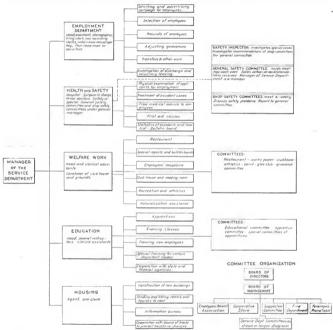


DIAGRAM SHOWING WORK DONE IN DEVELOPING PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

number that can be spared even temporarily from other necessary occupations.

Some light is thrown on this situation by Table I. The figures there given were compiled from a yard where conditions were exceptionally good. They represent a turnover much less than could be expected to obtain after the yard had trebled in size. It is important to note that the bulk of the men whose term of service is less than one year are in the very large departments of the steel mill and outside hull construction. Several of the shops make an equally disturbing showing.

It should be remembered that this table is only suggestive of the amount of the turnover, since it gives a view of the situation on a given date and does not take account of fluctuations during the year. a few weeks. The median (the point above and below which there are an equal number of employees when they are arranged in order according to length of service) falls in this case within the one-year group. It is much nearer the truth, therefore, to state that in this plant the median term of service was less than one year, probably only 10 or 11 months.

If these conditions obtained only in the ship yards, the matter would be of comparatively slight consequence. But such is decidedly not the case. Employers everywhere, and especially large manufacturers, face exactly the same situation.

#### Some Preliminary Measures

To reduce the wasteful migration of labor, "scamp-

ing" has been prevented in the Navy Yards by an executive order. This prohibits the engagement of any man who has been working for a concern on government contracts within three months of the time of his application without a written release from that firm. An agreement Ship Yard Employment and Service Departments

ing, and a widespread publicity campaign, the Chamber has done a great deal toward making the men in the yards appreciate the light in which their tasks ought to be regarded by the people at large.

TERM OF SERVICE OF EMPLOYEES IN A SHIP YARD-NOVEMBER 23, 1916 Average Term of Service-2.6 Years; Median Term is Less than 1 Year

Department	Under 1 Year	l Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 to 10 Years	Over 10 Years	Total No. Em- ployed	Under 1 Year	1 Year or Less	Over 10 Years
Executives and Office Force. Drafting	48 37	31 25	20 9	16 11	5 10	30 21	39 6	189 119	25.4 31.1	41.8 52.0	20.6 5.0
Totals	85	56	29	27	15	51	45	308	27.6	45.7	14.6
Blacksmiths	15	15	8	5 36	13	11	8	64	23.4	46 9	12.5
Pipe Shop Electrical Department	79 20	87 20	28 11	18	9	11 9	7	255 94	31.0 21.3	65.0 21.3	0.4
Power House	38	3	10	2	2	3	1	24 69	33.3	45.8 68.0	0.0
Shipwright Pattern Shop	45	10	8	7 2	6	18	9	103	43.6	53.4	8.7
Joiner Shop	38	14	14	6	2	14	i	89	42.7	58.4	1.1
Sheet Metal	9 63	39 109	16 66	10 15	9 26	13 80	34	97 393	9 3 16 0	49.5 43.8	1.0
Paint Shop Outside Machinists	49 26	42	18	16	17	19	6	89 144	55. f 18.1	70.9 47.2	4.1
Riggers	23	12	15	5	5	11	9	80	28.7	43.7	1.1
Outside Hull Storage and Warehouses	20	13	1	3	3	6	13	47	42.5	70.3	2.1
Boiler Shop	353	86	<b>2</b> 36	26	27	37	8	573	43.9 61 6	<b>59.1</b> 71.6	1.4
Yard Maintenance	57	26	13	5	5	12	7	125	45.6	66.4	5.6
Yard Totals	1394	650	309	216	165	320	116	3170	40.1	64 6	3.6
Totals	1479	706	338	243	180	371	161	3478	42.5	62.8	4.6

2 3/2 4/2 5/2 6/2 7/2 8/2 9/3 0/3 1/3 2

6 36 46 56 68 76 86 97 67 67 17 2 7 47 57 67 77 87 98 6

43 53 63 73 83 84 8

has been entered into by the yards under the Shipping Board by which a similar release must be given in the form of clearance papers from the local Federal or State employment bureau in the district where the man was last engaged.

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With the advice and assistance of the Industrial Service Department of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, much has been done during the past few months to improve employment conditions in the vards. Regular reports are being received in Washington which

show the extent of the flow of shipbuilding labor, and the special needs of each plant are being carefully considered. Professor Carroll W. Doten has been called from the Department of Economics of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to assist in supervising the collection and interpretation of statistics Numerous conferences have been held with representatives of the yards who are dealing with the question of labor supply, and suggestions and assistance are constantly being given to managers and superintendents who are striving to find and train men and keep them steadily at work.

The measures so far taken are quite certain to fail of their intended objective unless every plant is brought to see the need for systematic study of its own problems of labor maintenance. Relatively few of the yards have any organi-

DESCRIPTION OF STREET PIG. 3. EMPLOYEE'S RECORD FOLDER The original is a 5 x 8 folder of heavy manilla nanet

Some very effective work has been done by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. Not the least valuable part of its contribution has been the creation of increased enthusiasm for the shipbuilding program. By posters, badges worn by those engaged in shipbuild-

zation by which such a study can be carried on. For many years shipbuilding was not a highly profitable industry and on that account relatively little progress has been possible in some of the newer forms of management. In many cases, hiring and discharge are still 214

m the hands of foremen who are already greatly overtaxed by the constant pressure for increased production.

The Union Iron Works at San Francisco, The Submarine Boat Corporation of Newark, and The Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co., are among the the first line space of the folder, shows the trade the workman is skilled in. Similarly, yellow tags placed on the second line show trades from 41 to 80 in which the workman has had experience.

When an additional worker or workers are wanted in



THE MOLD LOFT IN A LARGE MODERN YARD BUILDING STEEL SHIPS

Lines for every part of the bull are laid out on this floor to full size scale. Wooden templates are then made from which the structural steel is marked by the ship filters.

yards that are active in developing personnel management. A diagram showing the work done by one of the Bethlehem concerns is given on page 212.

### SOME SUGGESTIONS FROM THE SURMARINE BOAT

Men applying for work in a particular trade at the Submarine Boat Corporation are given that work if possible. If there is no available opening, they are given a job of a similar nature, or any work for which they are adauted.

Thus many good men are secured and held in employment until they can be rightly placed, and meanwhile the yard has them on hand for an emergency. Aside from the general laborers, skilled men only are employed. The combined application blank and employee's record card in use in this plant is shown in the illustration on page 211.

Transfers are effected by means of the folder of Figure 3, page 213. The red tag indicates workers hired for



A REAMER AT WORK

Ninety per cent, of riveting, drilling, reanning, and calking is done with
preumatic tools

trades from 1 to 40, and is placed in the first line space on the folder. The blue tag placed on the second line, is for workers hired for trades numbered from 41 to 80. A green tag placed on numbers from 1 to 40, on any part of the plant, a demand is made upon the employment department, which first consults the employment records in the folders. Before taking on new men, transfers are made of those who can be spared from the departments in which they are working, or who properly belong in the work for which the call

This all saves time in securing new men and expedites work in the yard. It also creates a good feeling toward the company on the part of the worker because it means placing a man finally where he is best fitted

Full provision is made for housing by a careful study of all available houses, boarding-places and rooms. Applicants for positions are kept over night if necessary, or they are taken care of at once. Arrangements are being made for housing at more distant points, outside of Newark, as the number of workers increases. Special trains are to be run into New York night and morning to carry employees.

In many of the other yards not so fortunately located housing has become one of the most pressing problems. Barracks and cottages are being built by several of the shiphuilding concerns and plans are under way for extensive housing provisions at government expense.

#### TRAINING EMPLOYMENT MANAGERS

One of the serious drawbacks to putting the best employment practice into effect is the lack of trained employment managers.

Large concerns everywhere are awake to the need and are seeking men with the right ability and preparation to take charge of newly organized employment and service departments.

Colleges and technical schools ought to appreciate the presence of this urgent demand and plan to offer the right kind of intensive training for workers in this field. Here is clearly one of the places where service of the most valuable kind can be rendered.

THE KIND OF WORKMEN NEFDED IN THE SHIP YARDS At the request of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, the Bureau of Vocational Guidance of Harvard University recently prepared a brief description of the leading shipbuilding trades. The purpose of this publication is to give in simple form an account of the work done in each department and of the experience and gen-



AN AUTOMATIC PUNCHING MACHINE IN THE STEEL SHOP This machine punches rivet holes in the plates, or "strakes," for the hull of the shin

positions.

Little or nothing of interest to the lay reader has been published regarding the operations involved in shipbuilding, or of the conditions confronted by those who engage in it. Through this study, material is now made available which will assist men in deciding for themselves the probability of their proving successful in these trades

In the course of the Bureau's investigations, some interesting changes now in progress of development in

men of many years' experience could be used for laying out the lines on the floor from which the templates are made. The special difficulty lies in the presence of curved surfaces, but all classes of mold loft work do not present these problems. Several progressive vards

have discovered that it is entirely practicable to apportion the work in such a way that the lines and templates for all flat work, such as bulkheads and certain parts of the hull. can be handled by carpenters, structural steel men, or sheet metal work-

Young high school and trade school graduates are being trained as shipfitters on classes of work that were previously given to highly trained men. Thus in several branches of the industry, subdivision and analysis of tasks have made it possible to put men at work after a few weeks of intensive training on what were formerly regarded as highly skilled operations, requiring long experience.

WHERE WORKMEN ARE MOST NEEDED

It is impossible to make any general eral qualifications men ought to have who apply for statement that will apply throughout the United States as to the shipyard trades for which men are most in demand. Since there is an insufficient supply of experienced shipyard workmen, men from similar outside trades must be taken over and trained as quickly as possible. In the publication above referred to, the Bureau of Vocational Guidance has listed over 80 industrial fields outside of shipbuilding, from which men can be called who will have had a useful background of ex-

> The table of the distribution of employees. Table 2. gives some idea of the extent and variety of the occupations involved. Hull construction, the steel mills, machine shops, boiler shops, foundries, and yard maintenance are among the departments in the yards most likely to be short of men.

The new yards will obviously need a full quota of men for every department. Taking men to become leaders in these yards, has depleted the supply of skilled men in the older plants and made it necessary for them to enter upon a campaign of training.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF EMPLOYEES

Table 2 gives a distribution of the workmen in the leading departments, exclusive of the office force, in five typical yards building steel ships. Although these figures do not cover enough vards to prove anything conclusively, revertheless, they raise an interesting question.

It will be noted that wide variations appear among these vards in the number of employees engaged in a given department, as compared with the to-

tal number on the payroll. In some cases these deviations can be explained on the basis of differences in the character of the work being done. Nevertheless, it seems likely from the statements of employment managers and from a general analysis of the situation, that



A STANDARD OIL TANKER UNDER CONSTRUCTION nary conditions, it took 6 months to get the ship to this stage. In 1917 the In 1917 the Union Iron

the methods used by shipbuilders were brought to our notice. One of these relates to practices in the mold loft. Here full size templates of wood or paper are made for laying out the steel plates and frames used in ship construction. It was formerly supposed that only at no time within the last year have the larger yards been able to so regulate the number of men in each of their departments as to reach a maximum efficiency in production. A thorough examination of similar statistics from all the yards ought to be made to furnish trained as instructors. After four to six weeks of intensive training in practical pedagogy, these men return to their own plants and take up the work of breaking in new employees.

Many of the methods of instruction in use are based



A TYPICAL BOLLER SHOP OF A LARGE SHIP YARD. The yards are building 78-ton Scotch boilers as well as water-tube boilers of the Yarrow and White-Forster types

the basis for a more careful regulation of the proportionate number of workmen to be placed in each division. Extended study of this problem in each yard ought to result in much better coordination of effort in addition to a considerable saving in labor.

TRAINING WORKMEN FOR THE SHIP YARDS
At Newport News a training center for shipyard in-

upon the experience of the Navy Yards extending over a period of years. Additional plans and courses are being developed which can later be utilized in establishing similar schools elsewhere.

The employment department of the Harlan and Hollingsworth plant has drawn up a plan by which 30 men are to be brought from Cornell University to undertake training in the yard during the spring of 1918. These

TABLE 2 NUMBERS AND PER CENT OF EMPLOYEES IN THE LEADING TRADES OF FIVE TYPICAL STEEL SHIP YARDS

Department	Yard	No. 1	Yard	No. 2	Yard	No. 3	Yard	No. 4	Yard	No. 5	Total .	
	No.	r:	No.	1	No.	4.5	No.	r:	No.	1	No.	G
Anglesmiths	23	0.5	37	0.8	27	1.1	25	6			112	0.6
Blacksmith Shop.	103	2.3	54	1.1	63	2 7	40	.9	61	2.1	324	1.7
Soiler Shop	135	3.0	70	1.4	116	4.9	128	2.9	65	2 2	514	2.7
rectors and Bolters-up	615	13 7	400	8 1							1015	10 8
alkers and Chippers	217	4.8	196	4.0	91	3 9	255	5.8			759	4.7
Copper Shop	18	0.4	39	0.8	61	2 6	80	1 8		1	198	1 2
Oritlers and Reamers	264	5 9	441	9.0	550	23 4	450	10 1			1685	10.4
Electrical Shop	154	3 4	142	2 9	41	1 7	125	2.8	91	3 1	556	2 9
itters	149	3 3	215	4 3	128	5 4	210	4 7			702	4.3
itters		0.0	60	1 2	0	0 4	51	1 3	69	2.3	183	1.5
Galvanizing	27	0.6		1 6			7	0.2	89		34	0 4
oiner Shop	105	2.3	32	0.6	47	2.0	157	3.5	89	3.0	433	2 5
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<sup>\*</sup>No satisfactory data supplied.

structors has been established. All the yards engaged men are in the senior class of the engineering courses, on work under the Shipping Board are invited to send Because of the great variety of experiences to be decoperienced men to the school whom they wish to have rived from the numerous shops and the many classes

of work represented by a ship yard, it is felt that students in such courses can obtain an excellent opportunity for practical experience.

Two divisions will be made of the students. Those who are primarily interested in mechanical engineering will go into the engineering department. They will become accustomed in the course of a few months to the assembling and erection of machinery, boiler testing, trial trips, and other experience that would probably take three or four years to obtain in the ordinary way. Those who are interested in structural steel work, or in drafting, will go into the drafting room, or into the mold loft. Some of them will be taken on as ship fitters.

In the evenings special lectures by college professors and practical men in the shipbuilding industry will be given for each group. These lectures will also be open to foremen, leading men, and others in the yard who are capable of profiting by them. They will be so planned as to follow up the work done by the students during the day.

It is hoped that the Harlan and Hollingsworth plan will prove to be another practical means of training leaders and instructors that can be adapted to the needs of other yards.

#### HOLDING MEN IN THE INDUSTRY

The interest already manifested and the aggressive methods adopted by the Emergency Flect Corporation, by the Labor Department, and by individual yards show that a large supply of labor can be recruited and trained in a short time. It is questionable whether an equal amount of attention has been given to keeping men steadily at work. The outstanding factors in this part of the program may be summarized as follows:

The initial selection of men must be so regulated as to accord fair and courteous treatment to all who apply. In no other way can men be encouraged to volunteer for shipward service.

Transfers and promotions must be effected quickly and equitably. This implies better office methods than are now in use in the majority of our large industrial solute.

The crisis demands, and men have a right to expect, that steady employment will be provided. A large ship-yard may be spread over several hundred acres and includes 18 to 20 shops and mills, numerous storehouses, docks, power plants, and an extensive transportation system—all necessary to the central work of erecting ships on the ways. Only by carefully coördinating these activities, can layoffs and delays be prevented. Training gangs of men who can be shifted into any one of several different kinds of work is one means of reducing lay-offs or temporary idleness due to weather conditions or operating emergencies.

Local transportation systems must be improved so that men will not be unnecessarily delayed in going to and from their work. One morning recently at a New Fingland yard, nearly a quarter of the total force were from five to twenty minutes late because of poor street car service. Nearly 500 men returned to their homes tather than suffer the customary fine of an hour's pay. A serious transportation problem has confronted this yard for months and an equally unfortunate situation exists in many other shipbulding centers.

The severe exertion of the work requires that men must be well fed and housed if they are to be kept in good health. Many of the yards have no suitable restaurants in or near the plant where a nourishing lunch can be procured at noon.

Medical and physical examinations should be used

as a basis for the selection of employees, and a well equipped dispensary and hospital are indispensable to the welfare of the men. Hundreds of men can be saved to the industry every month by attention to this one feeter.

Participation in management through a committee organization such as that suggested by the diagram on page 212, creates a better spirit among the men and helps executives to locate trouble before discontent spreads too far.

We are agreed that our army cannot be effective unless high standards of morality are maintained. So long as our shipbuilding committees tolerate vice and drunkcaness, we cannot expect to create either a stable or an efficient working force.

Much of the appeal in securing workmen for the yards has been patroite in its nature. This is properly the case. It ought to be understood by every man who performs any task in a shipard, great or small, that he is engaged in work that is of supreme national importance. Only by cooperative effort and willingness to endure a few temporary hardships can we build our victory fleet and build it quickly.

### The Price of Safety Against Fire By Charles Hill

WHEN in charge of a plant using quantities of nitro cellulose, I found that the fire danger was reduced to the lowest degree by the following: I. Fire extinguishing appliances; 2. Care of stock; 3. storage of supplies; 4. care of waste; 5. cleanliness; 6. inspection.

1. FIRE ENTINGUISHING APPLIANCES. The overhead sprinkler system, installed when the building was built, was kept in good order by the caretul examination of the fire heads every three months. They would keep an ordinary fire within a 13-foot circle, and summon help from the city fire department and ring the watchman's fire gong. Fire buckets with water or sand, as required, were provided one for each man.

Over the manager's desk was placed the tell-tale box of an electric fire signal system, where by a glance he could see where help was needed. Over each large sink was a coil of one inch hose.

Ten of the reversible type fire extinguishers (the carbonate of soda and sulphuric acid type of from two to three gallons capacity) were in place; also ten extinquishers of the carbon-tetrolloride type fuseful for electrical fires) were over the manager's and foreman's desks. This was the fire-fighting apparatus.

2. CARE OF STOCK. The celluloid stock was re-

2. CARE OF STOCK. The celluloid stock was received three times a week and placed in a fire-proof vault with a heavy vault door. Here the product was also kept when completed before shipment. The vault was ventilated by a six-inch inlet pipe at the floor, and a six-inch outlet to the outside of the building.

The electric wiring was in iron conduit pipes with switches outside the vault. The electric lights had extra covers of thick glass and wire guards placed high. 3. STORAGE OF SUPPLIES. The supplies were in a fire-proof room with chemicals and all inflammable

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\*4. CARE OF WASTE. At the end of each bench was a fire-proof can to hold cuttings with an inner perforated disk to hold the waste down under water. This disk was attached to the lid by a short chain. All waste was removed from building at 4 p. m. each day.

All delicate machines were covered each evening with covers of rubber cloth to protect against dust from sweeping and water from bursting overhead sprinkler. 5. CLEANLINESS. Cleanliness was the rule. The workmen fell in line, as the place was clean and kept clean.

INSPECTION. At 8:30 a. m. there was a thorough inspection of side door exits, windows and fire buckets. The manager personally made the rounds.

Radiators were partly covered with loose iron covers to prevent the contact of material and were inspected daily. No rubbish was allowed to accumulate behind the radiators. Fire-proof doors and iron clothes closets were provided. The windows were self-closing.

Each motor was covered with a loose iron cover keeping pieces of stock from contact with the motor. The electric lights over the benches had the usual coneshaped reflectors. These were covered with wire gauze to prevent material coming in contact with a broken electric globe in case of accident.

Absolutely no smoking was the rule and the rule was in force. No matches of any sort could be carried into the building and anyone found with matches was distanged. On hiring new employees it was understood that the manager and assistant would be likely to inspect the clothing in the lockers at uncertain intervals by feeling for matches. Fire must have a cause, so remove the cause.

### Difficulties in Employing Women By L. H. Colburn

General Manager, Colburs Machine Tool Compons
THE writer has read your editorial in the January
number of INDUSTRIAL MANAGEMENT and it certainly hits the nail on the head. The question of
employing women is a most timely one, and one that
should be kept before the public until it is settled so
that the nation will get the benefit of the work of the
vast army of women that are available, but for certain
reasons are not used to the extent they should be.

In the writer's opinion, based on recent experience, the principal difficulty in employing women is the attitude of the labor unions. To illustrate: The Colburn Machine Tool Company has a large and splendidly equipped plant located in a small city where the living conditions are of the best. There is plenty of sunshine, good air, beautiful surroundings such as trees, grass and flower beds, in fact everything to make working conditions pleasant. We work eight hours a day, pay time-and-one-half for overtime and double-time for Sunday work.

We pay the highest wages to machinists and other labor, but in spite of this we have been greatly handicapped on account of not being able to get sufficient help. We are now and have been "full up" for about three years with important war business.

We exhausted all our efforts to get additional men; we advertised in the newspapers for hundreds of miles around; we sent employment agents to the large cities; we offered our workmen bonuses for getting additional men—hut all to little purpose. Finally, last July we decided to start to employ women in some of the departments of our plant. We had never employed women in the shop before, but made a careful investigation first and went around to plants in other cities where they were employing women successfully and got ideas on the subject.

We decided that we could use about 50 women on our work, putting them on small machines, light bench work, fitting, etc. We made inquiries and found that we could get all the women we wanted, in fact, they wellcomed the idea because, for one thing, we resolved

from the start that we would pay them just as much as we paid men for the same work.

We made no secret of the fact that we intended to employ women. Rather, we gave the matter all the publicity we could, thinking that this would let it be generally known that we wanted a lot of women. We had many applications and actually engaged a number, Meantime we went ahead and fitted up special quarters for them consisting of dressing, toilet and rest rooms.

#### OBJECTIONS FROM THE MEN

About that time we commenced to hear rumors of objections on the part of our men employees belonging to the machinists' union, and finally we were notified that a committee representing them wanted to see us. We received the committee and found that they were unalterably, opposed to our employing women in the shop in any capacity. They were afraid that the women if once admitted would, after the war, keep the places which they claimed rightfully belonged to men. No amount of arguing would change them in their stand.

We had a strike about two years ago in regard to the eight-hour day, and we finally granted it on a compronise, whereby we gave the eight-hour day and ninehours pay, but we did not grant a lot of other demands arade at the same time. We run an open shop, but about two-thirds of our machinists probably belong to the union. They have given no trouble since the strike, in fact we have not had a committee wait on us for a year and a half until this question of women employees came up.

Rather than have any trouble we gave up the idea of employing women for the present. We put about seven or eight in the tool room and stock room to wait on the window, look after the stock and do various jobs not in these two departments. They do not run any machines except hack saws. This is as far as we have been able to get in employing women in our establishment, notwithstanding the fact that we could still use 50 of them, if the machinist's union did not object.

#### OBJECTIONS OF THE PUBLIC

Aside from the objection on the part of the union, we have found that the general public also objects to some extent. Of course, we would not care about this if the union did not object, as we felt that this prejudice would be overcome after the women actually worked a while. However, as it seems impossible to change conditions at present we thought we would start a little educational campaign to mold gradually the sentiment around here in favor of employing women. One of our local papers just put out a special number and wanted us to take space. We decided to take a page. It was a sort of an argument in favor of women working in the manufacturing industries. The illustrations showed some of the largest heavy-duty drill presses built by us being operated by women in manufacture of large shells.

Although these machines are made by us in our plant in Franklin, and are operated by our customers with women employees, we are not allowed to run them except by men. It has been demonstrated many times that women can run such machines as well as the men. It does seem to be a most inconsistent thing, that we are not allowed to operate these machines in our shop, when our customers in many other places are doing so?

If our legislators at Washington were not afraid of the consequences they would take steps to remedy some of these wrongs and not only do justice to all women and men alike, but thereby overcone one of the greatest obstacles in winning the war and that quickly. March, 1918 219

## The Employees' Benefit Association-III

## What Service Shall It Render? What Benefits Shall It Pay?

By W. L. Chandler

This installment discusses the questions of what kind of medical, hospital and nursing service should be provided, and then turns to the specific problems of benefits for various forms of disability and deaths of members and dependents. The problems presented and answered are from Number 30 to 47, inclusive.

nswered are from Number 30 to 47, inclusive. Mr. W. L. Chandler has had experience in every

HAT should a benefit association do for its membership? We have considered various problems pertaining to its organization and management in the two preceding issues of INDUSTRIAL MANAGEMENT. Now we must decide what service shall be rendered to the members, what limits shall be placed upon the benefits, and later on must determine the amounts of daily benefits and the rates of dues required to permit such benefits afely.

PROBLEM NUMBER 30
SHOULD AN ASSOCIATION PROVIDE FREE MEDICAL
SERVICE?

This is one of the problems most open to debate, and is receiving a great amount of attention everywhere. It is being approached from both the angle of the association and also from that of the self-interest of employers in maintaining their forces at the highest point of efficiency. Difficulties are met in making satisfactory arrangements with physicians for this service.

Of the associations reporting to the Commissioner of Labor, 20 per cent. and 30 per cent. of those reporting direct to me, maintain free medical service, but detailed costs and plans of operation are not ready for

In many cases the function of the association physician appears to be not to render complete medical service, but more to guard against imposition. In some associations, he supplies only first aid treatment in case of accidental injuries. In others he acts through free consultation, but gives no medicine.

Frequent discussions of this subject discloses a general feeling that free medical service for association members, for all employees in fact, is quite desirable. Many feel that such services for wives and dependents of members would be highly beneficial in the direction of eliminating one of the greatest causes through which members or employees, get into the hand of the loan sharks, leading to an harrassed mind, domestic trouble and consequent inefficiency.

The present great doubt relates to the question of management. A difficulty due to malingering, whereby both the physician and member may benefit unjustly, is a big factor to be overcome. Some physicians have been paid a yearly salary of a stated amount per member, but the service has been criticised as indifferent.

With so many experimenting with this question, we shall soon have more definite information for consideration. Medical service of the association need have no relation to any medical supervision of employees on the part of the employer. However, combining these functions offers certain advantages.

Workmen's compensation laws have increased the interest of employers in the selection of the right man department of the plant of The Dodge Manufacturing Company. Of late years he has perialized on the study of employees' relations. He has been identified with many local and national movements, was chairman of the Danger Emblem Committee of the National Safety Council, and it now chairman of a committee of the National Association of Purchasing Acents.

for the right place, and in guarding against the placing of men subject to apoplexy, etc., in charge of equipment where they may injure themselves or others, etc.

Labor distrusts the plans for medical supervision on general principles. I suggest, as an educational feature, that the medical inspection of employees be handled through the association physician, the employer contributing toward the expense of the physician to compensate for examinations of new employees, etc., provided the association accomplishes some specified thing as a condition of the employer's help. In this way, the men will be in closer contact with the work of the physician and therefore will see its advantages. (See Dr. Steinmett's remarks in Problem Number 3, page 35 of the January number.)

The fact that the association physician is largely under the control of members will lead them to realize the benefits which they derive from medical consultations as a preventive of disease. The problem is to guard against any act which would give an opportunity for a disturbed mind to draw the conclusion that the information given to the doctor might be used disadvantageously in some manner, sooner or later.

If men can be brought to see the value to them of medical supervision, they will crave it instead of fearing it as they often do now. Physicians need not make free visits to the homes of members, but free consultations during certain hours at the plant have produced favorable results.

## PROBLEM NUMBER 31 SHOULD AN ASSOCIATION PROVIDE A DENTIST?

A few associations now have arrangements whereby the teeth of members are examined frequently and kept in repair constantly. In view of the relation of the teeth to the entire physical system, it would seem wise to consider this point carrefully, and if satisfactory arrangements can be made with local dentists, the men can be taught to appreciate the value of such service.

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The examination of teeth and instructions for proper home treatment and care will prove a good step in the right direction. In such a plan the members would be referred to a dentist when treatment was needed.

The association dentist would probably secure much of this extra work on his own account if he proved to be popular with the members. In selecting a dentist great care should be exercised to pick a man who will become popular. It is through such popularity that an employer may expect to develop sentiment favorable to his plant and himself.

PROBLEM NUMBER 32 SHOULD AN ASSOCIATION PROVIDE AN OCULIST?

The eyes play a part fully as important as the teeth and often are the cause of many other ailments. Poor

eyesight no doubt is the cause of frequent accidents endangering the lives of employees.

In view of the advantages arising from having a force of employees of known soundness of body, establishments may well consider the matter of absorbing the entire cost of the free medical, dental and ocular inspections and service as far as it is maintained.

This plan is already in successful operation in a few concerns and covers all employees. In most cases, the practitioners are on duty at the plant only at certain specified times. In many associations, the physicians do not visit the homes, but prescribe for those simpler cases which come to them while they are at the plant.

### PROBLEM NUMBER 33

## SHOULD AN ASSOCIATION PROVIDE A NURSE?

A few establishments have nurses on duty at the plant only, while in other cases the nurses visit the homes, giving advice as to sanitation and allied subjects. This is not a common arrangement, however.

Some consider the services of a nurse as of value as a compromise between no medical service and full medical treatment. It is possible to spend a lot of money on a nurse with small return, just as on a physician or oculist, unless business methods are followed.

Nurses are of two types: One operates with mathematical precision, follows all rules and regulations laid down in the most formidably rigid hospitals, and while she may not provoke any actual ill-feeling of enf-ployees toward the establishment, she does not build up any of the good will so essential to the greatest success. The other has a big heart, and through her treatment of the sick and injured may build up relations between the employees and the establishment which will prove of great value when contrary influences develop from other sources from time to time.

## PROBLEM NUMBER 34 SHOULD AN ASSOCIATION PROVIDE HOSPITAL TREAT-

A few establishments maintain private hospitals, with nearby public institutions. In these cases, the service seems to be independent of membership in the association, and apparently the associations do not provide for hospital service except as it may be paid for by the beneficiary.

Some employers maintain beds at nearby hospitals for the free use of their employees when in the opinion of the plant physician the employee should have hospital treatment.

## PROBLEM NUMBER 35 SHOULD AN ASSOCIATION PROVIDE BENEFITS FOR TEMPORARY SIGKNESS DISABILITY?

This benefit feature is provided for in 93 per cent. of the associations. Those which do not embrace this benefit are organized to provide death benefits only, except one for permanent disability and superannuation only, and two for superannuation only, and two

The reports did not distinguish between cases due to accidents and to sickness, but of all associations, comprising about 350,000 members, certain data has been compiled as is shown in Table 2.

Workmen's compensation does not cover disability or death due to sickness and does not cover accident when off duty, so the association may well cover these whenever the compensation act does not. Unquestionably all disability should be covered by some means, and in cases where compensation enters, the by-laws may provide special treatment as covered in Problem Nymber 36.

#### TABLE 2

AVERAGE TEMPORARY DISABILITY OF 429 ASSOCIATIONS AND THE EMPLOYEES' BENEFIT ASSOCIATION

OF THE DODGE MANUFACTURING CO.

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verage rength of disability per member ..... 4.7 days 3.31 days 2.64 days 0.58 days PROBLEM NUMBER 36

SHOULD AN ASSOCIATION PROVIDE BENEFITS FOR TEM-PORARY ACCIDENT DISABILITY?

Regardless of workmen's compensation or employers' liability laws, 90 per cent. of all associations pay disability benefits for accidents, much as any accident insurance company would pay its just claims. Of these associations, 22 per cent. are managed at least in part by the establishments.

Some establishments have been reimbursing the associations for disbursements due to accidents to members while on duty in lieu of payments to the injured. The workmen's compensation laws interfere with such arrangements in most states. Some associations do not pay for any accidents for which the establishments are liable under the law.

Of the associations managed by employees alone, 93 per cent, pay these benefits; a very few restrict them to certain definite accidents such as those occurring when on duty, when going to or from work, or in some cases to accidents occurring when not on duty.

Of the associations managed either by establishments alone, or jointly by employees and establishments, 91 per cent, pay temporary disability benefits for accidents.

From the standpoint of temporary disability, workmen's compensation affords no protection against accidents except during work hours in regular occupations which, in some few industries, may be safer than those spent in going to and from work. Only about one-third of the actual hours in a year are covered by compensation. It is said that only about 50 per cent. of accidents disable for two weeks or more, so that in states where two weeks waiting time is required, compensation of itself does not take the place of employeesbenefit protection where such benefits begin in less than two weeks.

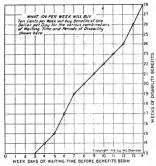
When compensation awards, say fifty or sixty per cent. of a man's wages for disability due to work accidents, the association may well pay the balance provided the combined income does not exceed, say ninely per cent. of wages.

In this way, benefits received due to the employer paying compensation serve to reduce the cost to the association and help to create reserves and permit dividends, which will later be shown to be productive of much good.

In the experience for 1915, of the association at the Dodge Manufacturing Co., only about 18 per cent. of the benefits paid went for accidents of all kinds, and of this amount 83 per cent, was paid for work accidents, which formed 81 per cent, of all accidents experienced by members of that association.

PROBLEM NUMBER 37
SHOULD AN ASSOCIATION PROVIDE FOR MORE THAN
ONE PERIOD OF DISABILITY?

Of all the associations, 71 per cent. pay temporary disability benefits for sickness or accident during a single specified period varying from 5 to 52 weeks for one disability, or, in many cases, for the total of all disability benefits as a maximum in any year, 13 weeks being the general period.



On the other hand, 23 per cent. of the associations have a secondary period after the expiration of the first one, wherein the benefits are reduced. Adding both periods together, 26 weeks is much the most general total term for these.

The remaining 6 per cent, have three and four periods, some running apparently without constitutional limits.

Of the associations with three or more periods, onethird have no constitutional limits for the last period so long as membership is maintained.

The average disability of all associations for one year was 2.2. days, so that the cases of temporary disability extending beyond 13 weeks, which is the most popular first period limit, are very much in the minority; however, the Dodge experience indicates that cases running over 13 weeks are likely to be cases of permanent disability.

As a selling point, the fact of having a secondary period is a good one, and for the few unfortunates who are afflicted for a long time and consequently are very greatly in need of funds, the secondary period is a tremendous benefit.

The 1915 experience of the Dodge Association showed that their cost that year would have been two cents per week greater for each member if they had paid one dollar per day disability benefit for 26 instead

of 13 weeks. Adding 50 per cent to this for safety, as was done in all other rates, would have increased the dues for disability 30 per cent, or three cents per week, in order to have doubled the period of possible benefits. When we consider that the man who is disabled beyond thirteen weeks is tremendously less fortunate than his more favored brothers, we can appreciate the value of having protection to fall back on for a period as long as can be arranged.

#### PROBLEM NUMBER 38

SHOULD AN ASSOCIATION PROVIDE BENEFITS FOR PER-MANENT DISABILITY DUE TO SICKNESS?

Only four per cent. of the associations pay benefits of this kind. This showing may possibly be increased by some associations where the by-laws are so written that some unusual case might be decided in favor of a member permanently laid up by some occupational disease, or where loss of an eye is covered and by-laws do not specify that it must be lost by accident. These are very remote possibilities, however, and probably four per cent. is about right. The reports do not distinguish between accidents and sickness, so all figures are combined and given under Problems 36, 39 and 49.

No figures are available at this time, but it appears that of disability due to sickness, permanent disability is of much less frequency than temporary disability, and the experience of the Dodge Association for one year shows that to have extended the period of disability benefits for both sickness and accident to cover six months instead of three would have increased the dues required for temporary disability as per cent.

À careful investigation of the cases of disability of the Dodge Association arising in 1975 indicates that any case running more than 13 weeks may well be considered as permanent disability. One member had lumbago and returned to work two days after benefits ceased. He might have been sick yet if benefits had continued. Others either died or were still disabled when last heard from. Some cases of tuberculosis, or other diseases, may throw a slightly different light on the matter, but for safety we should look upon cases running over 13 weeks as being permanent, until we can secure more accurate data.

Insurance covering permanent disability is extremely desirable from humane and sociological standpoints,

#### PROBLEM NUMBER 39

SHOULD AN ASSOCIATION PROVIDE BENEFITS FOR PER-MANENT DISABILITY DUE TO ACCIDENT?

Twelve per cent, of the associations provide benefits of this nature. A quarter of one per cent, of the membership of these associations received such benefits in a year. The figures given include benefits covering sickness, as well as accidents in four per cent, of the associations, or one-third of those with this provision. The average cost per member for permanent disability for both sickness and accidents was 48 cents, and the average benefit for the year was \$194.76 per beneficiary. This is equivalent to \$48.60 for 13 weeks or 2½ times the amount per beneficiary for temporary disability.

Disability covering accidents beyond the protection of cambility covering accidents beyond the protection of compensation should, in my opinion, be covered by insurance as soon as rates can be established. Can you imagine a sadder case than that of a man once well and a good provider, laid low by accident or disease so that his loved ones are in actual want while he realizes that if he were only dead rather than disabled, his family would be provided for through life insurance? What a strong temptation toward suicide.

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## PROBLEM NUMBER 40

SHOULD AN ASSOCIATION PROVIDE BENEFITS FOR THE DEATH OF MEMBERS DUE TO SICKNESS?

A provision of this kind is found in 83 per cent. of the associations. In the statistical reports, no distinction is made between sickness and accidents, so the figshould be made between deaths due to sickness and accident, and workmen's compensation awards may well be ignored in awarding death benefits. Deaths due to accidents are apparently much less frequent than those due to sickness.

Burial or death benefits should be paid regardless of whether death was the result of sickness or accident.





ures include both. These benefits vary from \$10 to \$2,000. The average death claim paid in one year is \$209,76. For the year reported, the average cost per member of such associations for these death benefits was \$1.45.

The death rate per 1,000 members was 6,7, being lower than the general death rate of the country, due to the fact that only able bodied persons can gain or retain employment in the industries. This fact contributed toward the differences between death benefits

in these associations and straight life insurance. The mobility of employees, together with their usual improvidence, makes it difficult to provide a form of benefit to remain available after a member has ceased to be employed in the establishment to which the association is attached, except as it may some day be done through a Pederation of Benefit Associations.

Of the classes of industries, each represented by 10,000 or more members, the death rates per 1,000 are as follows

Iron and steel rolling mills
Machinery manufacturers
Coal mining
Street railways
Wholesale and retail stores
5.5

Unquestionably some amount of death or burial benefit should be provided, because it can be handled without much additional overhead cost and may be had for 2.5 cents per week for each member (for a benefit of \$100 at death) with a fair margin of safety in the rate.

Comparison with the cost of industrial insurance shows this cost to be very favorable, not as a substitute, but as an additional source of benefit.

## PROBLEM NUMBER 41 SHOULD AN ASSOCIATION PROVIDE BENEFITS FOR DEATH OF MEMBERS DUE TO ACCIDENT?

Data given under Problem Number 40 must be considered here also, as the associations in their reports did not distinguish between deaths due to sickness and those due to accidents. Ninety per cent. of all associations provide death benefits for accidents. Ten per cent. of these apply them only to accidents when on duty. Eighty-three per cent. pay for both sickness and accident.

Death benefits are usually for no more than burial purposes and amount to so little that no distinction There is no reason why a man should leave his family any more money because his death resulted from one cause than another. Policies of accident insurance which pay double benefits for certain accidents, which are necessarily infrequent to permit such payments, take advantage of the human inclination to gamble. There should be more of mutuality in an association.

## PROBLEM NUMBER 42 SHOULD AN ASSOCIATION PROVIDE BENEFITS FOR THE DEATH OF MEMBERS' WIVES?

Twenty-two per cent. of all associations have such a provision. Their annual cost for this service averaged about 25 cents per member. All members paid the same dues. This experience covers 65,889 members, of which 37 out of each thousand received such benefits in a year, the average benefit being 863,189.

Local conditions may affect the answer to this question. Labor now pays very high rates for industrial insurance, due to the necessarily high cost of doing such insurance business as it must be done under present plans. The cost of sending a collector to the home each week to collect small premiums is excessive in comparison with a plan whereby the amounts are paid to the association through the payroll along with the sickness and death premium covering the member himself.

It has been estimated that 26,000,000 persons in the United States carry industrial insurance, paying \$120,000,000 per year, the average policy being \$127. The average premium is about nine cents per week, indicating the reason for the high cost of collection.

It is also interesting to note that the number of persons carrying industrial insurance in the United States was 78 per cent. greater than in Great Britain, but the aggregate amount of insurance premium was practically no greater, indicating in this country either lower rates or smaller policies, or both.

Apparently five cents per week is a safe rate for a \$100 benefit for death of wife, provided a reasonable number of the members insure their wives. In fact, I believe this rate can be lowered as soon as some experience is gained to point the way.

The insurance of wife and other dependents can be handled through the association more cheaply than through stock companies, and this has a tendency to attract men to the organization. In some cases, it may help reduce the frequency of the turn-over of men.

PROBLEM NUMBER 43

SHOULD AN ASSOCIATION PROVIDE BENEFITS FOR DEATH

OR DISABILITY OF ALL DEPENDENTS OF MEMBERS?

Ten per cent. of all the associations pay benefits for the deaths of dependents of members. The average cost for this service, covering other than wives, was about 28 cents for each member of these associations (44,381 persons), of whom six in each thousand received such benefits in a year, the average benefit being \$43.46. These benefits range from about \$10 for a stillborn child to \$25 for the death of an 18-year-old child, \$50 for father, mother, brother or sister, and in one case \$100 for the death of a daughter in charge of the household of a member who had no wife (or husband).

Apparently no association has covered either temporary or permanent disability of either wives or other dependents. The matter seems like quite a long step now, but if the associations are looked upon as the easiest means of enabling labor to provide against future adversity along the lines of sickness and accident, I believe we shall, in a few years, see this feature embodied under suitable regulation in many of the associations.

As a step in this direction, it seems possible to cover with ample safety, deaths of dependent children over two and under sixteen years of age at the rate of four cents per week for a \$50 benefit. The rates may be reduced as experience warrants. This rate is intended for those cases where only the members insuring children pay the dues for such coverage.

The average cost of 28 cents per year given in this problem covers cases where all members pay the same dues. This indicates that two cents per week for all members would permit an association to pay safely, say, about, \$100 at the death of any dependent (wife, child, mother, etc.), of any member until enough experience was had to determine more scientific rates.

There is considerable question, however, about the willingness of labor to accept this sort of a plan where all members pay the same dues regardless of whether they have dependents or not. That can be best determined by a vote in each case.

Extract from By-Laws of Dodge Manufacturing Company Association

Art. VIII. Sec. 4. Members of this association may each take the various benefits at the corresponding rates of dues, provided that no member shall receive from all sources temporary disability benefits in excess of ninety per cent, of his

average wages for the three months preceding disability. This permits each member to insure his dependents or not, as he chooses. The rates are made high enough to distribute the cost over the members who subscribe for the protection. See Problem Number 17 in the February issue, page 110.

PROBLEM NUMBER 44

SHOULD TEMPORARY DISABILITY BENEFITS BE COM-PUTED BY THE DAY, WEEK OR MONTH?

Six per cent. of the associations pay by the day; 87 per cent. by the week; one per cent by the month; the remaining six per cent. did not specify. A few do not pay for a fraction of a week. It would appear to make little difference whether payments are computed by day or week, provided fractions of a week or month are prorated, otherwise the question is important.

Regardless of the frequency of the payment of benefits, the unit of measurement should be one day in order to treat all members fairly, and benefits should be paid with the same frequency as the wages of the establishment. Labor is generally accustomed to wages

based upon daily rates; consequently, daily benefits paid weekly or less often are usually desirable.

PROBLEM NUMBER 45

HOW SOON AFTER JOINING SHOULD A MEMBER BE ELIGIBLE FOR DISABILITY BENEFITS?

Of the associations paying temporary disability benefits, 42 per cent. provide that members are eligible as soon as they join the association. It is interesting to see that this provision is found in 88 per cent, of the associations managed by establishments, in 54 per cent. of those managed jointly; and in only 35 per cent. of those managed by employees. Fifty-eight per cent. of the associations require a specified length of membership ranging from one week to 12 months.

Thirty-eight per cent, of the associations having a specified time require membership of either 30 days, 4 weeks or one month; 26 per cent, require either 90 days, 12 weeks or 3 months; 11 per cent. require either 60 days, 8 weeks or 2 months; to per cent. require 6 months, while the remaining 15 per cent. are thinly scattered. A few pay at once in case of accident.

The purpose of requiring a period between joining the association and drawing benefits is to prevent employees from joining to draw benefits for a disability due to sickness, which they feel coming on them or to which they have been exposed. A medical inspection and an investigation before acceptance in connection with a period of 30 days' wait, during which new members are not eligible for benefits except for accidents, should prevent loss from disability resulting from diseases contracted before joining.

#### PROBLEM NUMBER 46

WHEN SHOULD TEMPORARY DISABILITY BENEFITS BEGIN?

Of all associations 93 per cent, pay temporary disability benefits. Twelve per cent. of these associatons begin payments from the date of disability without restriction. Thirty-one per cent. pay from the start for disabilities continuing for periods varying from more than two days to more than two weeks. Ten per cent, pay after a waiting period of from one to six Thirty-two per cent. do not pay for the first seven days. Four associations require more than seven days, two of them not paying for the first two weeks. Ten per cent, pay from the start of accident disability, a few specifying that it must be an accident while on duty, and they have periods varying from one to fourteen days before payments begin for sickness.

This question of temporary disability benefits has aroused considerable discussion in connection with workmen's compensation laws. The usual purpose of an association is to help the members when they cannot help themselves. If they can help themselves through disability of short duration, say the first three days, the cost of maintaining the association will be vastly less and dues will be correspondingly lower than when benefits cover the first three days. See Chart, page 222.

Several short periods of disability coming close together might be as unfortunate for the member and the association as one of longer duration and consequently should be covered by a provision whereby the total disability in a fixed period of time is taken into ac-count when computing benefits. Extract from By-Laws Dodge Manufacturing Company Association, Art. VIII.

Sec. 19. Any conscientious efforts on the part of disabled members to return to work, which may actually result in relapse, causing two or more short periods of disability instead of one longer one, shall not deprive them of the benefits they would have received, had they remained away from work. They shall not, however, be paid benefits for the days on which they work.

work.

Sec. 20. Convalescent members able to work part time, may receive partial benefits in keeping with the facts at the discretion of the directors.

The law recently enacted by Congress covering compensation for employees of the United States Government in cases of accident and occupational diseases includes a provision for three days, waiting time. This law has the support of the American Association for Labor Legislation and undoubtedly represents the views of our foremost socioligists. Similar laws in Switzerland and Germany have three days, while England has one week and our former United States law had 15 days.

The Dodge Association has always paid benefits beginning with the fourth day, so that no statistics pertaining to claims for disability for a shorter waiting time are available.

One very bad practice is found occassionally: An association may provide that benefits begin, say, after the first three days, unless the disability extends beyond a specified time, say one or two weeks, when payment is then made for the whole time. This is equivalent to saying that if a member who is disabled for a period approximating the specified amount of time will only stay home a few days longer, the association will not only pay benefits for the extra time off, but will give him a bonus consisting of the benefits covered by the waiting time. For example: a waiting time of four days may be cited; a member sick two days gets nothing, but if he will malinger two days he will receive benefits for all four days. No further comment is necessary.

#### PROBLEM NUMBER 47

SHOULD AN ASSOCIATION LIMIT THE PERIOD OR AMOUNT OF BENEFITS FOR TEMPORARY DISABILITY?

Four per cent, of the associations have no provision in their by-laws to limit the length of time during which a member may receive benefits for temporary disability. Some of these provide for a specified length of time as a maximum for each year, but apparently pay such benefits each year as long as disability continues.

Associations are of three classes: Those limiting the number of weekly benefits in one year; those limiting the benefits to a certain number of weeks for each disability regardless of how many disabilities there may be in a year; and those which limit the amount of henefits both for one disability, and for one year. As shown previously, some have as many as four perjoids for one disability, each succeeding period carrying a smaller benefit than the one before it until the last one sometimes is yerry small.

Ten per cent, of the associations provide for donations from the treasury to disabled members, or extensions of periods according to the merits of extreme cases. The Dodge Association puts all incomes from merchandise sales, etc., into an emergency fund and loans this out without interest in some cases.

Table 3 shows the various periods and the number of associations in which each method prevails.

With 13 weeks as the most popular period and 22 days as the average disability, the cost of periods longer than 13 weeks is less than their relative lenghts would suggest

The experience of the Dodge Association during 1015, together with what is known of experience elsewhere, indicates that for three cents additional dues each week, they could pay \$1 per day benefits for 26 weeks instead of 13. It is interesting to note that the

cost of this extra 13 weeks is the same as the difference in cost of the to days between three and 13 days waiting time. See Chart.

TABLE 3. RELATIVE POPULARITY OF THE VARIOUS LIMITS OF TIME DURING WHICH ASSOCIATIONS PAY DISABILITY BENEFITS

As	sociations has	ving only	one perio	d of benefits	
in weeks for one year.	Number of associations in which limits prevail 3	Per cent. of total of this group	Limit in weeks for one disabil- ity 6	Number of associations in which limits prevail	Per cent. of total of this group
5 6 7 8 9	9 1 10	4	8 10 12 13	5 6 20	40
12 13 14 15	36 38 63	65	. 15 16 17	2 2 3 4	
16 17 18 20	5 6 4 5		25 26 28	1 1 1.4 1	16
24 25 26 33 <sup>1</sup> /3	3 1 27	11	39 52	16	11
35 35 Unlimited	1 1 6				
Total	237	-	-	88	-

Associations having two periods. Total of both combined

Limit in weeks for one year. 7	Number of associations in which limits prevail	Per cent. of total of this group	Limit in weeks for one disabil- ity to	Number of associations in which limits prevail	Per
10	3		13	4	35 °
1.2	2		17	1	
		20	24	1	
13	7		26	3	
14	1		30	1	
15	2		35	1	
	1		36	1	
17	!		5.2	2	12
20	!		60	1	
	4				
24	3				
25 26	. 1				
30	31	39			
32	- 1				
35					
41	3				
54	8				
Unlimited		15			
Total	80	_		17	_

Associations having three or more periods. Total of all

		combine		. I crus	0) 011
Limit in weeks for one year.	Number of associations in which limits prevail	Per cent. of total of this group	Limit in weeks for one disabil- ity	Number o association in which limits prevail	
10	2		52	1	
1.3	2	20	104	2	
21	t				
26	2	10			
27	1				
36	1				
48	1				
5.2	3	14			
Unlimited	7	331/3			
3 Vrs.	1	0070			

Before selecting the length of period, careful consideration should be given to all phases of this problem.

Total

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## Under New Management-Judging Men

We Need Skilled Mechanics Somewhat, But We Need Foremen and Bosses Who Understand Mechanics Much More

By Charles M. Horton

Ralph Waldo Emerson said that every institution is but the

lengthened shadow of a single man. Good judges of men are scarce

-that is generally accepted. A good judge of men will surround

himself with other good judges of men, and his institution will

enjoy a maximum of labor efficiency and a minimum of labor diffi-

culties. Find a concern that is always having labor troubles and

you will find a concern that needs reorganizing at the top.

The degree of success in installing efficiency methods depends upon the judgment used in handlin-labor-upon the understanding of the labor mind. And proper, intelligent, sympathetic care of the labor mind is hard to get among foremen and minor executives.

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MAN who does one job well will do all jobs well. Of course, the jobs thenselves must be of a kind, in that they call for certain fixed capabilities. But even so. A neat toolmaker, for instance, will do a neat job of typewriting, once he gets his hand in. He is that kind of workman—if so be he is that kind of workman—if so be he trick that goes with it, of reasoning from causes to effect, he will cut to the obvious in his work as surely as he will have his working tools always where he can instantly lay his hands upon them. A man of methodical mind, I believe such a man is called.

At any rate, such a man in an industrial plant is more to be chosen than great riches, because such a man is sharply representative of that which is synenymous with great riches in an industrial plant—efficient production. Nor will such a man ever give trouble. He knows what he knows, and takes a great pride in it;

and because his work gives him the opportunity to exercise that which he knows, he will take a great pride in his work and will hold to it quietly and gladly.

FOREMEN WITH JUDGMENT

The world of industry is ever on the watch for such men. Industrial heads will inform you that such men are scarce. Such men are not scarce-we are a nation of born skilled mechanics. What is scarce, however, is a type of boss or foreman capable of judging. Executives for the most part get their reports on the labor situation in their respective plants from these middle men, and because these middle men are advanced more often than otherwise to positions of petty authority on qualities best described as "smooth." Their word is very likely to be inefficient—based on error in judgment. That it is so is lamentable-but it is no less so. Indeed, the hell in industry -if there is a hell in industry-is due to this fact. It makes for friction. It makes for friction by reason of the discontent which it engenders in workmen, who themselves, often keen judges of men, are keen judges of the weaknesses frequently found in the men in power immediately above them. So I say the trouble lies not in the scarcity of efficient labor. Rather, it lies in the scarcity of petty bosses and foremen of a type capable of judging correctly on labor matters.

of New Maxico. He served a drafting-room appearaticable and has had twelve year's experience in designing special machinery. During a part of that period he was in the employ of the Westinghouse Machine Company, and was presonal designer to Mr. of George Westinghouse in the gas-engine distinct. As a n association he has pursued literary work for vears, a writing for both fection and technical publications.

Bosses of the "Smooth" Type

Too many men of the other type are occupying positions of authority in the industrial world today. They may be, and frequently are, good judges of work when that work is turned out. But when it comes to judging the man, or men, who turned out the work, they are what is technically known as "filvers." They won to their present incumbencies, as I have said, on qualities that are best described as "smooth." They are likable—possessed of the thing that makes them acceptable to those above them—have, in a word, a something that makes for success in a social way rather than in an executive way. As a situation it should not be. The qualities that make a man a success in a social way do not always make for his success in an executive way. The contrary is usually true, I should say.

A man given to correct analysis of men and measures

is more often than not a man of independent thought and action. He 
generally is a man 
i m p a t i e n t l y 
intolerant of sham 
or buncombe or 
chicanery, and, because he can detect these as far as 
he can smell them,

rather more rugged than smooth in his intercourse with men. Which of itself, and quite obviously on the face of it, checks advancement. Such a man is generally unpopular. Men twist about uneasily under his searching gaze. They judge him to be without diplomacy, do not like him, refuse to elevate him to a position of authority. In this they err. For such a man would make the best kind of petty boss or foreman. He would be coldly fair where fairness was due. Contrarywise, he would be critical where criticism was in order. And because of his knowledge of men and measures he would make few mistakes.

#### AN INCIDENT FROM THE DRAWING ROOM

I once knew a man whom I shall call Mr. Sparrow, because Sparrow was on this name. Sparrow was one vast ingratiating smile—to twist a Dickens phrase—and he was a sort of go-between, a runner, out of the chief engineer's office. That is to say, Sparrow was active between the chief engineer's office. That is to say, Sparrow was active between the chief engineer's office and all departments operating under this office. One of these departments was the drafting-room, of course, which was without

an established head at the time, owing to the fact that the organization was a new one, and matters were in a state of confusion more or less. The drafting-room carried a small corps of draftsmen, and because Sparrow walked with a sort of hitchy gait, the boys early had tacked this nickname upon him.

One Saturday morning, as the draftsmen were bent over their boards trying to get a job cleaned up so they could get away for the alternoon, Sparrow entered the room with his usual crowhop, carrying in both hands some blueprints and sketches. He was smiling, as usual—his superior sort of smile. He stepped over the threshold actively, and, breezing over to one of the drafting-boards, slapped the blueprints and sketches down upon it. Then he gazed around over the men with the air of one about to bestow flavors upon undeserving relatives—or something. Presently he gave utterance to some words. Said Sparrow:

"Fellows, we're working tomorrow."

That was all.

It was all he said. Yet instantly every head in the room lifted, and in every eye there was a look of pronounced belligerancy. The organization was one that paid off semi-monthly, and, while it did not pay for covertime it did pay for holidays and days off, and consequently was not an unsatisfactory institution at all to work for. Nor were the men a dissatisfied group of workmen. They had tolled long hours overtime on a number of occasions, and more than once had spent Sunday in the office. So it wasn't the men. Yet that little announcement of Sparrow's whipped them into a feeling of instant rebellion. It was not what he said; it was the way he said it.

For one thing, he was not bestowing a favor upon the draftsmen, although his whole manner and tone of voice indicated that he believed that he was. And vet he himself might not have felt that way about it. He was just a poor judge of humanity. For it brought on trouble later. Not one of the men came to the office the next day, Sunday, and one of the men even failed to appear Monday morning. Tuesday this man presented himself quietly and handed in his notice. Evidently he had feared a wrathful hand and had secured himself against it by getting another position. Nor was that all. By the following Saturday two other men had guit the concern. And all because of a lamentable lack of insight into character on the part of a petty boss. No doubt Sparrow reported to his chief, when the matter was brought up, that draftsmen, good draftsmen, were scarce, and labor troubles were common anyway.

#### EFFICIENT LABOR IS TRULY PLENTY

Labor we have in plenty, and efficient labor we have in plenty also. And there is a deal of satisfaction among the majority of workmen. But the more capable a man is the more quickly will he become offended over errors in judgment concerning himself on the part of his immediate superiors. Nor will such a man remain satisfied for long under a petty boss or foreman whose qualities for holding the job are a ready smile and a neat trick of turning a witticism when greeted by a superior.

Sparrow was the other kind—I am inclined to linger on this element bearing on labor in the industrial world, because of its very great importance, and because also it has not been given serious consideration. Sparrow was not a judge of men. He held his position, as was plainly evident, by reason of an ingratiating manner toward his superiors. The chief unquestionably liked Sparrow. Sparrow himself unquestionably was a success in his own little circle of friends and acquaintances

outside the office. No doubt Sparrow was "there" in that poignant way which is sought and accepted as marking a man "eligible" in our narrow social circles. Sparrow could probably tell a good story, if need be, and perhaps could carve a roast or flop off a turkey wing or leg with due skill. But when it came to reading with sure effectiveness the character and whims and fobles of men not of his portracted acquaintance, he was more than a bull in the china department—he was a downright nuisance and a loss to the concern. Yet how could the chief, as Sparrow was the sole medium between the draftsman and the chief—how could the chief know that? Especially if the chief was a poor judge of men, as is not infrequently the case.

#### POOR JUDGES OF MEN

Show me a concern that is always having labor troubles and I will show you a concern that needs reorganizing from the top clear down to the bottom. The workmen themselves may remain. They have nothing to do with the system in vogue in the plant. All they have to do for the returns accruing to them every week in an envelope is to turn out a certain quantity and quality of work. Dissatisfaction may be theirs, or it may not be theirs, depending upon certain things. But of one of these things executives may be assured. If dissatisfaction is theirs it is because of more or less constant tretion between themselves and those immediately over them.

This is due to faulty selection of petty bosses. Faulty selection of petty bosses is due to faulty selection of foremen. Faulty selection of foremen is due to faulty selection of super-intendents. Faulty selection of super-intendents is due to faulty selection of managers. And so on, although this thing today is being remedied through so-called "employment managers." The innovation is wise, if the employment manager has been well selected, as he will be if the manager has been.

#### Sparrow's Error of Judgment

Let us return for a moment to Sparrow. Had Sparrow put his announcement this way: "Fellows, the chief wants you to work tomorrow," and had said it with a quiet smile; or had he said, "Fellows, it looks pretty much as if we're all slated to work tomorrow, had said it with a sober countenance; or had he said, announcing it modestly: "I don't like it myself, boys, but the chief is being pushed for this job, and if you could manage to come down in the morning, he would consider it a very great favor to him." I say, if Mr. Sparrow had come into the drawing-room and made his announcement in a fashion following any one of these, the response, I verily believe, would have been favorable, and the gang, to a man, would have been on the job the next day-and no trouble. But no, Mr. Sparrow breezed into the room, slapped the sketches and blueprints down upon the table, and by manner and tone of voice and ill-selected choice of words gave the draftsmen to understand, willy-nilly, that they were to work the next day. He did not understand his men.

#### EFFICIENCY AND JUDGMENT

Which brings me around to the efficiency side of this question. Efficiency is a thing pretty well understood today—that is, the methods for gaining greater efficiency are fairly well understood. Efficiency organizations each have their own pet tricks, and all of them have to do with ways of doing a thing to effect savings in time and material. Most of them fasten their attention upon labor—the human element—and after getting this element well in hand they turn their attention to routes and

machines and the manifolding of papers. That they realize the importance of skilled labor to effect satisfactory results is obvious.

That nearly all attempt to crowd an organization of workmen through the same gage of sieve is also apparent. That it can't be done, many have learned to their utmost dismay. Workmen cannot be handled successfully in groups, any more than children can be educated successfully in groups. Educators are coming to recognize this great truth, and industrial men of affairs also must come to recognize certain truths—of themselves well-known among the lower strata in industry—in their own game. A man is an individual, a unit, the composite of thousands of ancestors.

#### YOUR WAY NOT HIS WAY

You cannot make an ox saw wood. Not as you yourself would saw it—directly. But this you can do. You can purchase a circular saw; belt it to a treadmil; lead your ox into this; tie him fast to the bar; throw off your clutch. The ox will feel himself slipping, and will begin to mount the endless wheel—and saw your wood for you. But please notice. He will saw your wood in his way and not in your way. You understand what your way is. Your way is to throw a length of four-foot stuff into a sawbuck; lay firm hand, upon your trusty bucksaw; and fly to it, making motions like a villain on a handcar making his escape from the hero on a locomotive going eighty miles an hour in a fivereel movie. But to get back. The ox is sawing the wood in his way.

Pretty much the same thing must be done in this matter of labor. Not that workmen in the mass at all resemble the ox. Merely, I have taken an extreme case to bring out my point. However, the work of labor is frequently that of own brother to the ox. Often it is an endless grind, having neither head nor tail, and so combletely devoid of middle.

But to try to make a lefthanded man do a stunt with his right hand which without thought he would do with his left hand, is like trying to change the color of his hair by the simple process of suggestion. It cannot be done. He will listen attentively to your explanations. But when your back is turned he will calmly continue to do the thing as he has always done it, unless he is a fool. And unless he is a fool also, his way of doing it, for him, will be the best and the quickest way. Because—to flash back to my opening paragraphs—we are a nation of born skilled mechanics. That means that inherently we know "how."

#### AMERICAN INITIATIVE

I am minded to tell of an incident which will illustrate American initiative. It happened in an American drafting-room. Three men were assigned the job. The job was in a hurry and the work was equally distributed among the three men—an Austrian who had been in the Country perhaps two years; a Serbian who had been in the States perhaps a year; and a representative of a long line of ancestors who had done their bit toward making this country what it was—and is—his family had been in America nearly three centuries. The job, as I say, was in a hurry. It consisted of tracing a great many very small drawings, about of yetz inches in size. The chief scattered the sheets around on the three drawing boards, and told the boys to push the job.

One draftsman, the Austrian, after removing the job he was working on, tacked down one of the rush drawings, made a guess with the shears as to the size of tracing he would require, and presently was tracing. It took him perhaps five minutes to get under way. He paid no attention to the other men.

One of these men, the highly educated Serbian, was engrossed in the work of getting under way also. This man tacked down not one but three of the small drawings, covered the three with a single large piece of tracing cloth, and himself fell to work. The border lines, the pencilling off and inking in, would be taken care of later, as also would those of the job being tackled by the Austrian. Perhaps eight minutes were consumed by this man in getting under way.

But not so the third man-the American of long American lineage. Having observed the methods exercised by his two associates-with somewhat of a sardonic grin on his face-he himself got busy. He first counted the number of drawings which had been apportioned to him to trace. There were ten or twelve of them. Having ascertained the number, he then spread his whole board with a single piece of tracing cloth, laid off in pencil the size of the sheets to be traced, inked in the border lines to a number equal to the number of sheets re-quired. Then he cut them up; laid them aside; tacked down as many of the small drawings as his board would accommodate. After this he covered each with a piece of tracing cloth-already cut to size and with border lines inked-and began, as the second man had done, to trace a whole batch at once. Needless to say, he finished his job far ahead of either of the others. He was able to do this owing to the fact that he had completed all similar jobs connected with the task at once -trimmed all sheets at once, inked all border lines at once, tacked all drawings down at once, traced all drawings at once. When the last drawing was traced the whole job was completed.

#### AMERICAN LABOR

Labor—American labor—is like that. Where a job requires som initiative, American labor excels. Yet I hear some executive saying that his own labor is mostly foreign and that none of his jobs call for initiative. All right—as far as it goes. His establishment may be overrun with foreigners—and probably is if it is an Eastern shop—but all tasks, no matter how infinitesmal, or how often repeated, day in and day out, require at some time or other in the process some initiative.

Personally, I never shave myself the same way twice, and I have been at it a good many years. The major processes I do indeed repeat—such as honing the razor processes I do indeed repeat—such as honing the razor lathering my face and raking it down with the tool. But there repetition ends. I do the job sometimes in ten strokes, sometimes in fifteen; sometimes in long strokes, sometimes in a number of short ones. But never in the same way twice. Nor does the most skilled barber shave all his customers in the same way.

#### MUSCLE AND MIND

So with any task or operation performed through muscle and mind working one with the other—one under the influence of the other. The mind is really the controlling, the guiding, agency, and the mind will wander, at times, no matter how engrossing or how wander, at times, no matter how engrossing or how precision of movement slips. A machinist may pick up a part from his trav, place it in his lathe and chuck it fast, set his tool and start the first cut, all as he has done the thing twenty times before without perceptible variation in his movements one against the other, and on the twenty-first time fall down to such an extent that he will lose the time he has gained. It is purely a case of mind over matter, and mind ever was and ever will be a varying and a variable constituent to be dealt

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## Organizing a Purchasing Department

## Purchasing is Not Gambling in Materials But is An Important Function in Manufacturing

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If purchasing is properly done materials are obtained when they are required, of the exact quality and quantity specified, and at the lowest price. The general methods by which these ends may be achieved are given in this article.

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THE conditions of the material market brought about by the war have given industry a new conception of the function of purchasing. Before the war the question of price seemed to play the most important part, but under the new conditions the paramount question is. Can the goods be purchased and delivered by the time they are needed for manufacturing?

While the saying holds good that the first profit in a business is in the purchasing, the attempt to purchase cheaply by beating the market is frequently carried to a point where it approaches speculation or gambling in futurities. Some concerns even go so far as to encourage their purchasing agents to speculate by holding them accountable where a price fell after purchase was made, or because an additional quantity was not purchased before a price rose.

While there are several commodities, of which a good example is coal, which varies in price with the season, and in the purchase of which the purchasing agent is able to take advantage of low prices by stocking up, as a general rule speculation in purchasing nuaterials is equivalent to speculation in wheat or in stocks, and has about the same opportunities for success. The purchasing agent who purchases at a time and in quantities in accordance with the requirements of consumption, and at the lowest quotation at the time of purchase, usually comes out ahead and best serves his

concern.

In a recent case a concern lost many thousands of dollars in speculation and seriously embarassed its manufacturing department through a shortage of material, by holding off on necessary purchases because of the belief that war time prices would not hold. The executives refused needed pig iron at \$22 per ton and finally covered at \$46 per ton; this was but one of many materials in which they gambled on the wrong side of the market.

FUNCTIONS OF A PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

The functions of a purchasing department in the order in which the author has found them to be of the greatest importance in producing profits for manufacturers, are as follows:

- (a) Obtaining the delivery of materials at the time they are required.
- (b) Obtaining materials of the exact quality for the results required.
- (c) Purchasing at the lowest possible price.

Examples of Poor Follow Up Methods

One of the best illustrations in the author's experience

One of the best illustrations in the author's experience of the conditions which may arise in a concern due to poor follow up methods in the purchasing department was a small concern manufacturing heat-treating furnic Preparatory School and the Polytechnic Institute, Brooklyn, New York. From 1908 to the present time he has served numerous firms as a constituting engineer and efficiency expert, his experience including almost every line of endeavor. He is one of the senior engineers on the staff of C. E. Knoeppel & Company.

naces. The furnaces were constructed almost entirely from purchased castings and parts. The manufacturing consisted largely of assembly work.

An investigation in the assembly department showed an anazing condition. Figuring roughly by weight, by there was enough material on hand to construct over one hundred furnaces, but in no case were all the parts on hand that were necessary for the complete manufacture of any one furnace. The assembly department was filled with semi-completed furnaces on which work had been stopped because of lack of parts. The assembly crews had to be continually switched from one job to another as the needed parts came in, were frequently idle and the consequent assembly cost was so great that there was grave doubt as to whether the concern would be able to remain in business. The installation in the purchasing department of a simple, businessike follow-up system corrected the difficulties and put the concern on an excellent, profitcinaking basis.

The manufacture of automobiles, especially those manufactured largely by assembling purchased parts, is another good example. The economical manufacture of a uniform flow of parts through the plant, of a daily production of a uniform number of cars, and this is largely dependent on the maintaining of a uniform mumber of cars, and this is largely dependent on purchasing. A car cannot be completed in the assembly department unless every last necessary part is on hand. It is impossible to have the parts flow to the assembly department in the order and quantities in which they are required unless there is a comprehensive system of purchasing which obtains the deliveries of the parts needed, or the material from which the parts are to be made, at the time necessary.

The manufacturer of an excellent, though much deided small car, was forced at one time to ship his cars to dealers, minus hoods, because the hoods were not on band when required. The plant had a notably excellent planning system, but in this case failed to give proper consideration to the ability of the vendor to live up to his contract. The purchasing agent must guard against the tendency on the part of vendors to accept attractive orders for a specified delivery date, when there is no possibility of their being able to meet their promise.

#### OBTAINING DESIRED DELIVERIES

If a purchasing department is to be organized so as to deliver material to the plant at the time at which it is required, the following points must be provided for:

(a) The purchasing department must be supplied with information concerning the material wanted, and the exact date on which delivery is wanted, a sufficient time in advance of the delivery date required to enable then to obtain delivery on that date under the existing market conditions. (b) The purchasing department must keep the manufacturing department posted in regard to the length of time in advance of requirements that material must be ordered to obtain the delivery wanted.

(c) Where there is any doubt of the ability of the vendor to deliver the quantity required at the time required, an investigation of the vendor should be made.

(d) The requests for quotations and the purchase

orders should be followed up systematically and persistantly until the required goods have been received.

It is evidently unfair for a concern to expect its purchasing agent to obtain the delivery of material in two months' time where the existing delivery time is four months, nor can he be expected to buy at the lowest prices on short time delivery. Where a purchasing agent is forced to insist continually on exceptionally short deliveries, he becomes a pest to vendors. They may have to upset their manufacturing schedules to meet his demands, and if the vendors are crowded with orders he will be the first customer dropped as his business is undesirable.

#### PLANNING PURCHASING

The purchasing agent should, as a routine matter, dediver to the manufacturing planning department at regular intervals a list showing the existing delivery time required for each of the various classes of material purchased. The manufacturing planning department is then able to arrange to plan its naterial requirements sufficiently in advance to allow ample purchasing time. If, after this information has been given, the purchasing agent is not given the length of time to purchase as stated on his list, and the goods are not received in time, the blame lies on the manufacturing planning department.

All requisitions on the purchasing department should have on them the date on which the delivery of material must be made. If the time allowed to purchase is not sufficient, the purchasing agent should notify the author of the requisition stating when delivery can be expected.

#### RELIABILITY OF VENDORS

Where large contracts are made with vendors, an investigation of the ability of the vendor to meet the deliveries specified should be made. Inquiries among the vendor's customers may show that due to carelessness or inadequate planning methods the vendor is chronically late in his deliveries. In some cases the vendor is willing to be penalized in case he fails to deliver on the dates specified. The law does not allow penalities in contracts but does allow reimbursing for losses sustained. A clause may be inserted in the contract stating that in case of failure to deliver on the date specified the vendor shall pay a certain sum each day until delivery is made, as and for liquidated damages.

In times of good business vendors are seldom willing to submit to penalties and other means must be taken to assure the desired deliveries. The author has seen a manufacturing concern accept a large contract which a later investigation showed the concern was not mechanically equipped to produce and could not be mechanically equipped to produce in the time given.

The only means of protection against such vendors is to make an actual investigation of the plant capacity and organization of the concern in question. The purchasing agent is hardly fitted to make such an investigation and must arrange to have it made either by a competent man from his own concern or by an outside firm of production specialists.

#### FOLLOWING UP ORDERS

The follow-up system might be called the mainspring of the purchasing department, for satisfactory purchasing service from the manufacturing standpoint is almost wholly dependent on it.

A follow-up system may be generally described as a means by which matters to be taken up at certain definite times are automatically brought to the attention of the person concerned at the time specified. The usual machinery for such a system is merely a drawer file indexed by dates. If a natter is to be brought up on a certain date it is filed under that date in this file. Each day the matter contained in the file for the date is taken out and given to those interested. In this way, on the date set the matter is automatically brought to the attention of those concerned.

The first point to be followed up in purchasing is the obtaining of quotations. When a quotation is written for, a copy of the letter should be filed in the followup file by the date by which a reply can be expected. The length of time allowed naturally depends on the distance the letters have to travel, with an allowance for a legitimate time for the concern written to collect the information required and answer the letter. If no reply is received by the follow-up date another letter should be written. In many cases form follow-up letters can be used to advantage.

All purchase orders should specify the dates on which shipment or delivery is required, however, this is often not sufficient in itself to assure delivery on the date stated and concerns take further means to impress the importance of the delivery date on the vendor. An effective means is the inclusion of a clause on the order that the contract is not binding until the order has been acknowledged and the specified delivery date agreed to as part of the contract. Another harsher method is to state that, "We reserve the right to reject all goods not delivered on or before the date specified." These statements are generally printed in red so as to attract the attention of the vendor.

Some concerns have obtained good results by inclosing an extra order copy to be returned as an acknowledgment, or by having an acknowledgment slip attached to the purchase order by perforations. Either of these acknowledgment forms should contain an agreement to the delivery date specified that must be signed.

## ESTABLISHING FAVORABLE RELATIONS WITH THE VENDOR

The purchasing agent will often obtain valuable information in regard to the best method of dealing with vendors from the sales manager of his concern. The methods by which favored customers obtain the best service from his concern will be the best methods for him to adopt in dealing with vendors. The service you obtain depends largely on the moral status you establish. If they learn that when you set a delivery date you mean business you will have little trouble in obtaining service.

The foregoing point is well illustrated by the customers of a certain foundry. One wrote rather truculent letters to which no attention was paid while a mild request from the other brought immediate action. It was explained to me that the truculent one was always in a rush but forgot all about the letter after writing it, and that they would not hear from him again if they delayed the order a month. However, when the mild one wrote it meant that he really needed the goods and they liked to oblige him. The success of the mild customer in obtaining what he wanted was due to his adequate methods of planning and following up his purchases. He allowed them a reasonable time for manufacturing and delivering his orders, but if his goods were not delivered on time they invariably heard from him. In the unusual cases in which he requested quick delivery they knew he actually needed the goods quickly and did their best to help him out.

The easiest method of following up orders is to have an extra copy of the order written which can be used for filing in the follow-up file. This copy should have spaces provided on it for making notations of all fol-

low-up letters.

The first matter to be followed up in regard to a purchase order is the receipt of the acknowledgment. If the acknowledgment is not received within a reasonable time a letter requesting an acknowledgment should be written. After receiving a few letters of this sort a vendor will take particular pains to acknowledge your orders promptly.

The next follow-up point is the receipt of the invoice. If you have allowed yourself a margin of safety on your delivery date, that is, if you will not require the goods for say ten days after the delivery date set, and you are dealing with a reliable vendor, you can place your follow-up copy of the order at the date on which you should receive the invoice if the goods have

been shipped when promised.

If you will need the goods on the delivery date or are dealing with an unknown or unreliable vendor, the follow-up copy should be filed ahead of the delivery cate, and on the follow-up date a letter should be written reminding the vendor of your order and the fact that you will need the goods promptly on the delivery date set.

The purchasing agent will find it advisable to retain in his department two copies of the purchase order and also the purchase requisition. One copy of the order should be filed in the follow-up file, the other copy should be filed by purchas order number and the requisition copy should be filed by the department ordering the goods and sub-filed by class of goods ordered.

PURCHASING GOODS FOR STOCK

The purchase of goods for stock should be handled somewhat differently than the purchasing of other goods.

By the usual method the stock clerk determines that additional stock goods are needed and orders the goods purchased by sending a requisition to the purchasing agent. The author has found that it is more efficient and requires less clerical labor if the stock records are maintained in the purchasing department.

In this system the stock clerk is taken over by the purchasing department. When stores issues material on a requisition, instead of entering the material given out on the stock cards, it sends the requisitions to the purchasing department where the material is entered on the stock cards by the stock clerk. When the stock clerk finds that more material must be ordered, instead of writing a requisition be merely gives the stock card in question to the purchasing agent, who writes his purchase order from it. This saves the labor of writing requisitions. The constant following up of the purchasing department by stores for needed stock goods is also eliminated as the responsibility for maintaining that stock is shifted to the purchasing department.

The entering of the stock requisitions on the stock cards keeps the purchasing department in constant touch with the quantity of stock on hand, and if there is an unusual run on any stock goods they are aware of it and are able to hurry in their purchases of the goods in question.

For convenience in purchasing, space is provided on the stock cards for entering the full purchase specifications of the material they represent. There is also space at the top of the stock card for entering the names of the vendors from whom the goods may be purchased and their quotations. This saves the purchasing department the work of keeping a separate file containing these data, and gives them a ready record by products showing vendors, prices, specifications, last purchase price, date of purchase, quantity ordered, date ordered, date received and also the quantity of the goods that is being used.

CARRYING THE LEAST STOCK NECESSARY FOR REQUIRE-

As the purchasing department is responsible under the system outlined for maintaining an adequate amount of all stock goods on hand, it becomes its function to determine the minimum amounts of stock goods to be carried, and the amounts that shall be ordered at one time. The definition of the minimum amount of stock to be carried is the lowest amount to which the stock is to be allowed to fall before more goods are ordered. The minimum amount should be a quantity of goods sufficient to last until more goods can be purchased and delivered. This quantity is evidently dependent on the quantity of the goods which are being used in a given time and on the length of time which it takes to purchase more goods.

To set the minimum amount for any item of stock goods the purchasing department determines first the length of time which will be required to puchase the goods and have them delivered. When this has been determined the stock card is referred to and the quantity of goods withdrawn from stock for an equal length of time are determined from the entries on the card. This amount plus an additional amount for a margin of safety in case delivery is slow is set as the minimum

The minimum amount when set is not final and must be changed whenever conditions change. Whenever entries are made on the stock card, the increase or decrease in the use of the material should be noted and, if considerable, the minimum amount to carry should be increased or decreased in proportion. When the time required to purchase certain classes of goods changes, the stock cards for that class of goods should be removed from their files and their minimum amounts should be changed to meet the new conditions.

The amount of any stock item that should be purchased at one time is ordinarily set at a quantity equal to the minimum amount. When this is done the stock on hand and the investment tied up in that stock is reduced to the lowest possible figure. There are, however, times when this procedure is not advisable such as where a decrease in price or a carload shipment can be obtained by a reasonable increase in the amount of the

The method of determining when it is necessary to place an order for stock goods is as follows. When the stock clerk enters on the stock card the withdrawal of material and finds that the withdrawal reduces the amount remaining on hand to or below the minimum amount, he withdraws the stock card and passes it to the purchasing agent or his assistant who writes a purchase order for the amount to be ordered. The concern

ordered from, the amount ordered, the price and the date are entered on the card, and it is returned to the stock clerk. When it is returned to its file a clip signal is attached to it and remains on it until the goods ordered have been received. By this means all stock cards on which there are outstanding purchase orders are distinguished by a flag and can be more readily located.

### PURCHASING TO EXACT SPECIFICATIONS

One of the greatest savings that can be made in purchasing is by purchasing to the exact specifications which are the best suited to the intended use to which the material is to be put. The fault of buying material of a far better quality than is necessary for the intended use is frequently met with. On the other hand as great a loss is often sustained by buying materials of too low a quality. This results often in material waste, or in excessive labor cost in working up the material and frequently means dissatisfied customers.

In a silk ribbon mill, what appeared to be an evident saving was made by buying an inferior quality of silk. Investigation showed that the delay to looms and loss of production from the additional breaking of threads with the inferior quality of silk as compared with the better quality amounted to many times the extra cost of the better grade of silk. In addition this meant a better product and more satisfied customers. There were however, more expensive grades of silk vet which investigation showed it did not pay to use as the additional strength and reduction in thread breakage would not pay the additional cost.

In another case the author made a saving for a brewery by purchasing their coal to specification as to the heat units per pound and the allowable percentage of sulphur. Under the contract as drawn up a bonus was paid for coal better than specifications and rebate was given when the coal fell below specifications. tract was made with the same company that had previously supplied an extremely poor quality of coal, and was closed at the same price that had been paid for the coal formerly supplied.

For every use there is an exact quality of material which best serves the purpose. To find this quality careful consideration must be given to cost as compared with reduction in waste, saving in manufacturing labor and improvement in durability or appearance of the fin-

ished product.

The more modern large plants are usually equipped with laboratories where the exact suitability of the various grades of material for the intended use are determined and purchase specifications drawn up. These laboratories also sample and test all incoming material and determine if it is the quality ordered. The testing of purchased goods for quality is as important as weighing or counting them for you pay for quality as well as quantity.

While the purchasing agent is usually not in a position to start and manage laboratories for the testing of goods, he can at least show the management the importance of such a step and the probable savings to be

A start in the right direction can be made by listing a number of the purchased articles and questioning their quality. As examples, pencils can be purchased from a cent a piece up. Is the quality you use one that gives satisfaction and is it the cheapest that will give satisfaction? Is the quality of paper used in letters and forms consistent with the use to which they are put? An analysis of purchased goods will often prove surprising in showing up useless waste, and will lead to savings.

REDUCING THE VARIETY OF GOODS PURCHASED

Concerns frequently buy a variety of goods far greater than is necessary to meet all their requirements. This arises sometimes from lack of standardization in the designing of their products and sometimes from allowing each department to order supplies in accordance with particular whims. The results are a very much larger stock than is necessary, the ordering of goods in small quantities at higher prices, and often the turning out of finished products for which it is difficult for the customers to obtain repair parts.

This inefficiency can also be readily shown up by analysis. Compare the types of certain articles used by the various departments. Is there any reason why they should not all use the same type? Analyize any special articles or special sizes or qualities of articles that are purchased. Is there not a standard article that would answer the purpose just as well? Analyze the variety of types, sizes, or qualities of a purchased article. Is there a sound reason why so many kinds are used, or is it just carelessness? An analysis of this sort will repay you many times the effort expended in savings effected.

#### BUYING AT LOWEST PRICES

As has been before stated, the holding off of purchase or the purchase in advance because of the belief that prices are going up or down, is dangerous and closely akin to speculation. There are some keen judges of business conditions who may profit in this way but the average man would do well to leave the speculative side of purchasing strictly alone. However, there are legitimate opportuinties for cheap purchasing at quotations below the market prices and the purchasing agent should keep closely in touch with market conditions through the trade papers pertaining to the goods purchased.

The price at which a purchasing agent is able to buy goods is dependent on the current prices at the time of buying and the size of the market from which purchase is made. The more vendors a purchasing agent deals with the more liable he is to be able to purchase at the cheapest price. Except where prices are standard there is one concern selling the article you want which is quoting the lowest price. If that concern is not on your list you will not purchase at the lowest price.

Whenever an advertisement is seen of a concern selling any of the articles you buy, but not on your list it should be added to your list and quotations written for. If they sell goods that you carry in stock, their name should be entered on the stock cards of the articles in question. If they sell goods purchased but not carried in stock, their name should be entered on the vendors card for the articles in question.

The foregoing gives, in brief, the principles on which the author has reorganized many purchasing departments. The giving of the details of systems and forms has been avoided as they seldom apply to any but the particular conditions for which they were designed. Principles are universal and particulars should be carefully designed in accordance with the principles, but made to fit the individual needs of the case in hand.

### Measurement of Management By Frederick C. Coburn

Naval Constructor U. S. N., Manager Naval Aircraft Factory ET us consider the stockholders viewpoint first. The stockholders are the owners of business. They have invested capital in it and naturally look for a return, and it is by the relation between the

amount of this return and the amount of capital invested that they judge the management or the efficiency of management. There are many evils arising out of this labit of stockholders, especially when there is a condition of absentee ownership. There is a tendency to run down the plant, to maintain interest and dividend payments, and do certain things in order to support the market value of securities. Stockholders are unclusted as a rule in regard to matters of industrial management and think that whenever waxes are raised dividends go down.

It would be well if there was some way to get stockholders to study the balance sheet so as to be sure the plant has been maintained, and to have some way of learning the effect of raising wages, provided the raise is

based on a quid pro quo.

#### THE CUSTOMER'S VIEWPOINT

The customers, or what is the same thing, the public, look at the quality of goods produced in connection with the price; that is, they want quality at a price and at the same time they consider deliveries and service. The matter of service is becoming increasingly important. Intrinsically, so-called service is worthless, for if the company does the job right the amount of service needed should ordinarily be small, but it makes the customers feel good and, although expensive, appears to pay.

#### THE EMPLOYEES' VIEWPOINT

The average employee wants first a steady job, so that he may know how much he has coming in each week and can adjust his scale of living to it. Next he wants good wages, that is, as good wages as other people engaged in the same kind of work receive. Next, he wants fair treatment from his employers, and finally he thinks of good working conditions.

#### THE BANKER'S VIEWPOINT

The banker is drawn in because he is asked to lend money to the company. Before he makes a loan he wants to see the balance sheet and then his first thought is the relation between the amount of quick assets and the amount of quick liabilities. He then becomes interested in earnings, dividend records, appraised value of the property and depreciation reserves.

Industry has not yet recovered from the banker's idea that the efficiency of industrial management can be judged by the relation between the amount of 'mon-productive labor expenditure' and the 'myroductive labor expenditure'. This method probably arose out of the practice of judging the efficiency of the management of a railroad by the relation between operating expense and earnings. There may be some value in this criterion, but the relation between overhead expense and productive labor has nothing to do with the efficiency of management. Nevertheless the effort to make expense small with reference to the productive labor pay roll has held back the development of organization and proper management as much as an outer one thing.

#### THE CREDITOR'S POINT OF VIEW

After the creditor has considered the company as a credit risk and made a loan, he judges the company by its promptness and regularity of payment.

THE MANAGEMENT EXPERT'S VIEWPOINT

One who is interested in the subject of management and has made a careful analysis of the job, sympathizes with each of the above groups. Some of their criteria may not be good, but on the whole the business is actually judged from all those viewpoints, and the business must be made to look right from all of them.

Assuming that we have the five general functions of management, namely, sales, engineering, production, financial and legal, these criteria may be distributed to show what each function is responsible for: The sales

department for deliveries, service, steady work; engineering department for quality, service; production department for maintenance of plant, quality of output, deliveries, steady work, wages, treatment of employees, working conditions; financial department for dividend record, balance sheet, promptness of payment; legal department for attitude toward the public.

With the responsibilities of the sales department this article will not deal. The responsibilities of the engineering department fall without our present consideration. The financial and legal departments likewise are

not for us to discuss here.

But the production department is our field and we shall try to show that competent people in supervisory positions, with proper organization, good control and fair knowledge of facts, will do their jobs and form the foundation for the sales, financial and engineering departments and general administration to lean upon.

It is not well to set up any one criterion by which to judge the efficiency of the management of the production department but rather to consider that we have seven criteria. Nearly if not all of these may be lumped together in the general term of control. Then the complete control by people who are earnest, houghful and doing their job will produce methods of management which will measure up well by any criterion.

#### A FEW EXAMPLES

There is a cotton mill in a certain state which violates nearly all these seven criteria. It does maintain plant, quality of output and affords steady work; but in deliveries it is execrable, the wages are abonimably low, the subject of treatment of employees is given practically no thought, and the working conditions are by no means satisfactory. Looking at the plant one finds an excessive amount of material in progress, lax methods of time keeping, a piece rate system of payment based on the principle of limiting the earnings of the employees, but at the same time getting the maximum output.

At another textile mill there is really no coördinating head, no central control, the various department foremen run their own departments in their own sweet way. The plant is run down, is unsanitary; and there is no thought given to the development of personnel.

At another plant, a machine shop, the management is excellent from a technical point of view; the plant is fine; they have unusually good sales; and yet realize about one-third the proper production because no one in the firm understands how to keep work moving.

In any one of these cases a central control vested in a manager who is earnest in doing his job, capable and acquainted with what other people in the industrial world are doing would correct these conditions.

#### DIVIDEND RECORD NO CRITERION

The dividend record is no criterion by which to judge shop management, because dividends may be made even though shop management may be abominable. The relation between expense and productive labor is no criterion of management because it puts a premium on inefficient management. The less expensive the plant, the less money spent on supervision, planning of work, provision of suitable equipment and proper tools, the smaller will be the expense; and the poorer the labor and slower in work, the higher will be the labor cost per unit of output. With these conditions obtaining the ratio between expense and labor is small.

The suitability of the plant, its buildings and real estate, its location with respect to the labor market, transportation facilities, material market, etc., are all criteria by which to judge the founders of the business, perhaps, but are wholly usefess by which to judge the

present operators of the plant.

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## **Employment and Labor Maintenance**

A Special Department to Aid Employment Executives

## Standardization of the Causes of Leaving Jobs

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In attempting to reduce labor turnover, the investigator's first impulse is to ascertain why men leave work because success in the undertaking is mainly dependent on this knowledge. Accurate tabulation of the cause of leaving not only indicates definite remedies for turnover but shows conclusively whether men are eligible for re-employment. Since some firms re-hire as much as twenty per cent. of their men the cause of their departure, in the first instance, should be definitely known and put on record, otherwise unsatisfactory men may be taken on again. It should, therefore, be the ambition of every employer to have a statistical compilation as to the cause of leaving in his hands at the end of every month, so that he can discover facts which promote intelligent turnover reduction.

Unfortunately the wisdom of securing this information has not always been recognized and the fault is principally due to undeveloped employment methods. Even where centralized employment offices exist, the subject has not been valued at its true worth. Two things, therefore, seem desirable: A standard list of the causes of leaving: a standard terminology.

#### DEFINITION OF TERMS

In the first place it is well to remember that the word "leaving" refers to departure from whatever cause. Those who leave are divided into four major groups: quit, laid off, discharged, strike.

The term "quit" applies to men who leave voluntarily, either because conditions of work or pay are unsatisfactory at the plant or better elsewhere, or for some extraneous reason. In certain frims a distinction is drawn between the above term and "resigned." In one case a man leaves without notice, in the other due notice

of intention is given.

Men are usually "laid off," permanently or temporarily as the case may be, because of lack of work or because they are unsuited in some respect through no personal fault or for the sake of discipline. A distinction is sometimes made between men laid off for a determinate or indeterminate period. In the former case men are put on the absent list. With the exception of men who are forced to retire through reaching the age limit, all are eligible for re-employment.

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The term "Discharged" indicates only men who have been forced out by the employer "for cause." "Dismissed" is, perhaps, a better term though it is not so commonly used. The remaining group comes under

the heading "strike."

The day is rapidly approaching when the employer will demand monthly returns of his shifting labor with full and exact details as to the cause of leaving, which will be considered as important as production sheets are now, but, though many executives know their approximate annual turnover rate, not one in a thousand has the remotest conception of the relative amount of

those who quit, those who are laid off and those who are discharged, and the significance which the increase or decrease of those figures indicates.

#### SUMMARY OF 100,000 CAUSES

In an examination of a hundred thousand causes of the reasons for leaving work, in some of the more representative plants of the country, it was recently found that 74.6 per cent. quit, 12.2 per cent. were disdoff and 13.2 per cent. were discharged. The large majority of existing statistics are almost worthless, however, because there is seldom a proper classification and the assigned cause is too vague in many cases. Much, for instance, is left to the imagination when one is told that a man was discharged because he was "unsatisfactory," "unreliable," or "unsuitable," yet these are the typical phrases under which foremen often take shelter. If specific reasons, well known to the foreman at the time, were indicated, indiscriminate discharge would be minimized considerably.

In one firm where explicit directions were given as to the correct method of making returns, the following interpretations were received from the foremen: "No like work," 'no good," 'gervice no longer required," 'too much money, this fellow," and so on. Under the heading "Quil" men were described as "going away," "Dissatusfied," while many "worked notice" and "resigned." This will be the result as long as the foreman is allowed to choose his own words. The only remedy is the establishment of a standard method for recording the facts and the provision of the machinery whereby they way be obtained.

Another difficulty arises in the case of men from whom no reason for leaving has been obtained. This was found, in a recently investigated case, to amount to over 60 per cent. of the men who quit and 10 per cent. of the men who were discharged. While it is sometimes difficult to obtain the reason when men quit without notice, no such contingency should arise in the case of discharge because a man cannot be discharged without some one being responsible.

#### SUBDIVISIONS OF MAIN GROUPS

Having divided those who leave into four main groups, further subdivision remains to be considered. It would seem, from an examination of the records of a number of plants, that men who quit may be placed conveniently in three classes.

(a) Work.
Quitters (b) Pay.
(c) Personal reasons.

It is undoubtedly of value to the employer to know the nature of work to which his employees object so strongly that they seek another job. Intrinsically it may be impossible to improve conditions or the cost may be prohibitive. On the other hand the records may show that the turnover cost may be actually less than the cost of improvement. If men leave, as occasionally occurs because of wet floors; drainage, possibly at a trifling expense may remedy the trouble. If a girl "ob-

jects to the smell of glue" it will be easier to remove the girl than the smell.

Many men quit work because they have a better job clesculere, and the wise employer will seek to ascertain in what respect his work is inferior. Other men will consider their work too hard or too monotonous; they will object to part time, short time, delays in getting the continuous Sunday work; they may consider the work continuous Sunday work; they may consider the work too much for a family man; they dislike accessive thats, heat or furney; they insist on warmth, good drinking water, modern sanitation and so on. All of these which are the most usual, should be carefully classified under the main heading "Ouit Work."

Frequently men quit because their pay is too small or, conversely, because it is better elsewhere. Another objection is against docking or fines. Some quit because there is no extra reward for overtime, no prospect of an increase, because pay is reduced or the system of

paying is faulty.

Progressive employers find it advantageous to know how many of their men leave on account of pay, particularly if the number shows a gradual monthly increase. Whether a man thinks he is getting too little or believes he can get more elsewhere matters but slightly; the circumstance indicates that the employer should consider the revision of his pay schedule and thus avoid a strike.

#### PERSONAL REASONS FOR QUITTING

Of the personal reasons for quitting work there is no end. One foreman, on being asked to make a tabulation, said if there were a thousand men leaving they would have a thousand different excuses for the move. This is largely true, but many of the differences are merely verbal and unessential. If a man complains he must leave because the work hurts his back he may be properly described as physically unsuitable unless the tault is with the work and not with the nan. That men "move away" is hardly precise enough to be of value and is unimportant unless it has something to do with the plant. It is an entirely different matter if housing conditions make it necessary for a man to change his employment. A large loss of employees on this account may force the employer to consider a proper housing scheme in order to stabilize his working force.

Just now a considerable number of men leave work to join the army, navy or some other branch of the service. All of these may be classed under "Government service." Illness in one form or another was frequently found on the records of the plants investigated. Some firms very properly draw a distinction between occupational disease and sickness not directly due to work, also between accidents happening inside and ont-side the plant. Men who leave on account of accident or illness outside the plant are classified in the quits.

otherwise they are laid off.

The natural ambition of every employer is to lay off as few of his men as possible through lack of work. The immediate gain through dropping men may be more than neutralized in the cost of hiring and training others to take their places when work picks up. The number of men laid off should be as small as possible. It is an evidence of good planning. Seasonal work in some plants causes considerable lay-offs but this has been minimized greatly by good management.

Men who are temjorarily deprived of work by way of discipline are placed in the laid-off column and the exact cause, in each case, should be recorded. This is a convenient place to put such cases as those in which men are found unsuitable through faulty employment methods or because they do not quite fit in with the scheme of things. If men have "trouble with the foreman" or anyone else the matter should be defined.

#### CLASSIFICATION OF DISCHARGE

The classification of discharged men may be arranged in two groups.

Discharged (a) Work.

(b) Personal character.

It is not always easy to decide whether the effect of work on the character, or character on the work, is the determining factor, but a personal knowledge of the cir-

cumstances usually decides the point.

The reasons for discharge as regards work are numerous but can be roughly grouped under a convenent number of headings. It is not advisable to have a separate heading for such closely allied terms as, careless, as indifferent, neglectful and the like, any more than for men who are lazy, unwilling or loafers. So long as there are no standards to go by men will be discharged for a number of slightly different reasons which might better be grouped. For instance, unsteady and inattentive men may be put together in one group, while incompetent and incapable men may be placed in another. General terms, however, should be avoided.

Classification of reasons for discharge due to personal characteristics is not difficult. Under one group may be included those who are quarrelsome, fighting or merely disagreeable and men who "can't get atong"; under another the grafter, borrower and the "dead beat"; so with the drinker whether he is described as intemperate, unsteady or a booze fighter. Dishonest men, pilferers and thieves should be classed together, as should the insubordinate and disobedient.

#### TEMPORARY ARSENCES

In some places men are granted what is known as an in"accommodation discharge" which, in fact, is not a discharge at all. It is merely a subterfuge to enable a man to get plis money in a hurry and in a few days, as a rule, he is back at his work again. This is only a case of temporary absence. In this connection there is sometimes a difficulty in differentiating between those who quit and those who are temporarily away. For the sake of getting immediate statistics it is well to assume that all men have quit unless the reason for the absence is known. This has a good effect in minimizing absence without permission.

## How Do You Check Up Employees Who

Mr. Royal Parkinson, Employment and Employees' Service Manager, American Optical Company, Southbridge, Massachusetts, states one of his payroll problems in the following letter:

"Where can we find assistance on a payroll problem? In particular what means do large concerns have of knowing immediately when workers leave them with-

out saving so?

"With us a large percentage of our losses occur in this manner, and the situation created is a hindrance to the application of our policy of interviewing all leavers. These leavers obtain their final pay by calling for it among the invalid and idle after a week's absence. One method that has been suggested is a visit to the homes of all those who absent themselves more than one day to determine the cause of the absence. I am under the impression, however, that in some firms a system of pay checks controls this situation."

Readers of INDUSTRIAL MANAGEMENT are invited to send in for publication a description of the means they use in overcoming this employment difficulty and assist Mr. Parkinson and other employment managers.

## Taking Stock of Ideals; A War Measure

By Mary B. Gilson

Employment and Service Superintendent, The Clothcraft Shops

JUST as it is necessary to take stock of materials both raw and manufactured so is it of equal importance for business men and women to take stock of ideals and practices. Often the daily routine swings us from detail to detail with such continuity that we find ourselves acting according to tradition and precedent without sufficient attention to underlying reasons, "Writing is recording, not living," said Mr. Britling, and yet he found stock-taking an inseparable function of life tiself. Whether we define the aims and purposes of our daily job in writing or not, it is uccessary to define them mentally, to achieve action. Stock phrases are frequently by-products of stock

taking. So "The four walls of the home" became objectionably trite when women awaketed in increasing numbers to the broad ramifications of these four walls. "Making men, not materials alone" similarly evidences the results of stock taking; results which prove that industry is awakening to the many ramifications of the "four walls of the factory." In increasing numbers industrial managers are recognizing the connection between what gots on in their establishments and the very life of the community itself.

#### MAKING MEN FOR COMMUNITY WELL BEING

Perhaps no member of a business organization has more direct duties in connection with man making and consequently with community well being than the employment manager. It is from him that the worker must get a clear idea of his responsibilities toward the organization and the organization's responsibilities toward him. It is his duty to see that the worker gives and receives a square deal. Most important of all, the employment manager with any breadth of vision recognizes what an integral factor he may be in reducing antagonism between employer and employee and in establishing honesty in the relationships of man with man.

#### THE EMPLOYMENT MANAGER MUST BE HONEST

The employment manager who is careless in the employment of minors is dangerously undermining the respect of the worker for law, as well as nullifying any good his organization may be doing for the improvement and development of the workers. No young girl or boy who is carelessly admitted to an organization without sufficient investigation of his or her age can possibly have any deep lying respect for that organization. No matter how ignorant and immature a girl may be she is aware of the fact that the man who employed her illegally is being guided by the need of the hour and not by honest motives. And this results in a very natural distrust of business and business ethics. No factory inspectors, no truant officers, no school laws however well enforced, can possibly be effective without the honest and unending support of the man who "hires and fires." And he must ever keep in mind not only that it is a sense of personal honesty which must inspire him but also that he is playing a most important part in breeding honest workmen by not permitting himself to "play crooked."

#### THE EMPLOYMENT MANAGER MUST NOT MISREPRESENT

Luring people from job to job is another crime against the community. It is not necessary to enumer-

ate to the readers of INDUSTRIAL MANAGEMENT the evils of drifting and the gradual manufacture of un-tumployables by subjecting them to recurring periods of unemployment "between jobs." Yet, how many employment managers who do not take stock are guilty of advertisements which misrepresent, or of recklessly and selfishly offering a job to a man who already holds a better one? It takes only one or two such experiences to plant a very definite growth of antagonism against "capital" in the breast of the average worker, for to him "capital" comprises the man higher up, and his feelings are due entirely to his cumulative experiences in the working world. "Don't bother to give notice to your present boss. We need you tomorrow morning and can't use you if you don't come then," is the advice of the employment manager who never has time to take stock. Later the wonders why workers are so "mean and irresponsible as to get up and leave their good jobs without givine him so much as a hint."

But encouraging an applicant to be on the level with the concern which he has not yet left is not the whole story. It is equally important to define clearly and lucidly the earning opportunity and the chance for advancement of the man who is considering the job you hold out. Business ethics are still very shadowy on this score. Anyone with imagination cannot help feeling a good deal of sympathy for the young person who goes with high hopes in search of a job only to be met with flowery generalities and no definite and specific information. Business organizations as a whole are still in the infantile stage when it comes to a clearly mapped out scheme of promotion and an efficiently conducted system of instruction. All who have had experience in hiring know how much the success of a worker depends upon opportunity for advancement and the defiqualified frankness and honesty. Applicants justly complain of leaving their last jobs because they "made no headway and no one told them why they didn't." Candidly, I think this is frequently due to our negligence and to our laissez-faire methods.

#### REMOVE THE BITTERNESS AT LEAVING

Always keeping in mind the responsibility of everyone conscious of modern sociological conditions to do
his bit toward eradicating antagonism in the world of
industry it is absolutely necessitous for the employment
manager to see that the "final parting" is as free from
bitterness as possible. This does not mean that it is
wise to smooth over issues to the point of beelouding
them, but, when every attempt to develop a worker has
failed, it is at least worth while to know that he has
left with no bitterness or feeling of unfairness in his
soul and that for the sake of his future success he understands definitely and clearly wherein he failed.

It is the policy of the management of our organization that we superintendents and foremen are wholly responsible for "getting across" and leaving right impressions and it is a wise policy. The basis of this policy is the saying that "To bear conviction, be convinced yourself." The man who is not basically honest and who is not convinced heart and soul of the rightness of his argument cannot convince the stupidest of men.

#### "GET ACROSS" ECONOMIC TRUTH

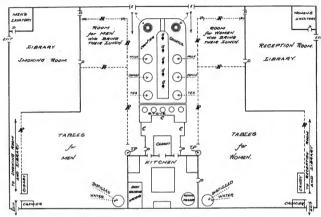
As the war goes on we shall find it more and more necessary to take stock of our business ethics; our standards of morality will have to be more and more closely defined. Russia is today facing problems of national import but these national problems have evolved from individual ones.

### Factory Employees' Restaurant By C. S. Rossy

Employment Manager, Norwalk Tire and Rubber Company
RESTAURANT for factory employees always
proves to be a profitable investment when properly managed. The employee receives wholesome food at a reasonable price, the employer finds him-

passes into the dining-room at the entrance to which stands the ticket-puncher TP, usually a girl. She notes the contents of the tray, punches a ticket indicating the cost of the food, and gives it to the employee, who then sits at a table to eat. At the conclusion of the meal, the employee as he leaves the dining-room pays to the cashier the amount marked on the check.

It is advisable to have two rooms to which men and



"HELF-YOU'RSELF" RESTAURANT PLAN-C-CHEFS D-DOOR E-ENTRANCE G-GIRL
R-RAILING T-TRAYS T.F.-TICKET FUNCHER

self the gainer in the increased energy and greater production of the individual worker. If the restaurant is made self-supporting, a condition that is always possible, the initial expense involved in its installation is negligible and eventually becomes entirely cancelled; the restaurant becomes both directly and indirectly a source of revenue.

Why have so many factory restaurants been failures? The reason, in the majority of cases, is the lack of an efficient working plan. Realizing this, I wish to present a brief outline of a "help yourself" restaurant plan which has brought success. Its time saving quality renders it especially valuable when a large number of

people must be served quickly.

The accompanying diagram shows the plan. There are two entrances E. The employees walk in line by the counter in the direction of the arrows, each picking up a tray T, and selecting such food as he may desire. On the counter may be found bread and butter, crackers, pies, sandwiches, cold meats, etc., all of which are arranged on plates before the restaurant is opened. The duty of the counter-girls is to keep a sufficient amount of food available, and to furnish the employees with such beverages as they may desire—teac, coffee, milk, buttermilk, etc. The chefs C, at the stoves, serve hot food—soups, beans, vegelables, meats, etc.

Having put his selection on the tray, the employee

women, respectively, can eat lunches brought from home. Places of this nature, conveniently located, increase the trade of the restaurant as the occupants are often stimulated to purchase more food. It is also desirable to have a resting room for women and a smoking room for men near the restaurant.

On the walls should be posted the menu for the day with the price of every item. It is advantageous to distribute printed menus as the employees go out in the evening, in order that they may know what is going to be served in the restaurant the next day.

The following menu is representative of food that may be served at a factory restaurant:

 Vegetable soup
 \$0.05

 Tomato soup
 .05

 Smoked pork tenderloin
 .15

 Roast veal
 .18

 Ham and beans
 .15

 French roast
 .15

 Mashed polators
 .05

 Pies, cakes
 .05

 Tea, coffee milk
 .05

The initial cost of establishing a factory restaurant, and the actual expense involved in maintaining it, will, of course, vary with circumstances. The following figures were obtained by the writer from the records of a restaurant patterned after the one described, and now

being operated by a factory employing about 2400 hands. There is a daily average of 760 patrons. The total monthly running cost is from \$1200 to \$1300; the total monthly income is about \$1400. The initial cost for quarters, machinery, and all conveniences such as tables, chairs, china, cutlery, etc., was about \$4000. The staff necessary to conduct this restaurant is:

Two extra girls, two hours per day at 16 cents per hour.

The more important machinery includes: One 10-foot gas range, one dish-washing machine, one potatopeeling machine, one bread-cutting machine, one meatcutting machine.

Such a restaurant can serve at least 400 persons in five minutes.

## Assisting Employees With the Army Questionnaire

ONE of the outstanding features of the war has been the enthusiastic cooperation of citizens and corporations in the performance of extra duties thrust upon them. Many of these have gone far beyond the requirements and assumed other duties in an endeavor to aid the Government.

The officials of the Westinghouse Electric & Manuracturing Company realized that after the new selective draft regulations went into effect, when all previous exemptions were automatically revoked and the registerants required to answer questionnaires, there was likely to be confusion among its employees as to just what course they should pursue, particularly in the case of those of foreign birth. The company employees in the Pittsburgh district number in the neighborhood of 35,500 people.

Frequent meetings of the officials and superintendents of the company were held to outline the plan for aid and insure the familiarity of those responsible for its execution with the draft regulations. Each superintendent then made up a list of men is his department subject to draft, checking those whose services were considered to be absolutely indispensable, and detailed a man to see that all registrants were properly classified within the time limit.

The company then sent a letter to each local board where any employees were registered, setting forth at some length the nature of its operations and how intimately its work was related to governmental activities, and how dependent it was upon skilled labor. The letter also stated that each case on which the company asked exemption would have been carefully considered and passed upon by the officials best qualified to know. In this way, the board was relieved of a lot of work in answering questions and had the assurance of responsible parties that the exemptions asked for were justified.

After the plan had been carefully outlined in those responsible for its execution, a set of rooms was set apart for the actual work of handling the registrants and their questionnaires. When it is realized that approximately 5,000 men were to be examined, and the short time allowed for its execution, the size of the undertaking can be appreciated.

As a large number of employees of foreign birth are unfamiliar with the English language 15 interpreters, capable of speaking almost any language or dialect in the civilized world, were secured and instructed in the provisions of the selective service regulations.

As each registrant received his questionnaire, he was sent to await his turn, as shown in Figure 1.

The registrant was given a card and assigned to one of the desls numbered from 1 to 15, see Figure 2. At each was located an interpreter to assist in answering the questions when such service was required. When the questions were all answered the registrant left the room by another door, and if the company had selected him for exemption, the questionnaire was retained by the clerk, sent to the superintendent of his section and then to the vice-president of the company for their supporting affidavits. After these are secured, it is returned.



FIG. 1. AWAITING THEIR TURN TO ANSWER THE SELECTIVE OUESTIONNAIRE

for filing with the local board. If he was not considered absolutely essential by the company he was allowed to retain his questionnaire and return it to the local board himself.



FIG. 2. ANSWERING THE QUESTIONS OF THE SELECTIVE DRAFT QUESTIONNAIRS

A notary public was retained by the company to save the expense of the notary's fee. Every employee was paid in full for all the time engaged in going through the process of completing the questionnaire.

The time required to take care of a registrant varied according to his intelligence and familiarity with the English language; some required only a few minutes, others considerably longer. The average time was about an hour per man.

As an evidence of the advantage accruing to the local boards from an arrangement such as outlined above, a Pittsburg board member said that only about 30 per cent. of the questionnaires turned in individually were correct, while under this plan practically all were right.

## Editorials and Comment

### Just Ahead

S there to be a shortage of industrial employment in the Spring or early Summer?

The work of non-essential industry is slowing down. By "non-essential" is meant the manufacture of articles not needed for the prosecution of war, nor required for the essential welfare of our civilian population. Examples are: Jewelry, luxurious motor cars, silks, laces, pianos and perhaps talking machines.

If this process of slowing down industries of this kind continues we shall have a considerable portion of our labor turned out of its usual employment.

During the past month both the daily papers and the weekly reviews have begun to say that there is danger of a production of war material this year far greater than can possibly be shipped. This situation was commented upon in these columns in our February issue. If this process continues to such an extent that there becomes a congestion of war material in this country that cannot be sent to France, then workers on munitions and war supplies will have to be turned out of that kind of employment. There is one industry that can absorb perhaps 250,000 of them—shipbuilding. But to what work must the others turn?

The problems of transportation have never been brought to our people with more force than since the beginning of this year. Never before have we seen the holding back of industry in order that our railway lines might be cleared of accumulated freight. Never before have the difficulties of railroad operation in blizzards and zero weather been appreciated by those who are not railroad men or members of their families. Never before have we appreciated that the well-being, comfort and even life of our people rest upon the regular movement of freight over our great railway lines.

All of these experiences have shown us that we need more railroad equipment, locomotives, cars, terminals, dock facilities and the like.

The concentrating of industrial workers at new points of industry have brought to the forefront the problem of housing. Briefly stated we should have at once several hundred thousand more houses to shelter our working people. The problem of handling freight has brought again to the fore the need of developing our canals and rivers as a part of the great transportation system of the country.

The shortage of coal for industrial uses has made more urgent than ever the need of haste in developing water-power projects to supply energy for the wheels of industry.

The shortening of our supplies of food, with the prospect of a tremendous demand upon us during the rest of the war and for a few years after the struggle ceases means that we must utilize more tillable land and turn our attention to reclaiming vast tracts which can be brought under cultivation.

That is, in addition to prosecuting the war we must constructively turn our attention to the up-building of railroad equipment, the housing of working people, the developing of our canals and rivers as a part of our transportation system, the utilization of water-power now running to waste, and the reclaiming of land for agriculture.

If in the Spring or early Summer thousands of industrial workers may be forced out of non-essential industries and even out of war industry, why should they not be put at work on some of these great national needs?

The improvement of our rivers, the digging of canals, the developing of our water-powers and the reclaiming of land have always been either entirely or to a great extent under government direction. Our railroads are now government operated and will continue to be so managed for the duration of the war and for eighteen months thereafter. In connection with war industries the government is making a careful study of housing and even supplying funds to solve the difficulties in certain centers where those industries predominate.

So no one can claim that these national needs should not be met by government action,

Is not the path of wisdom to adopt at once a policy to supply by the government much of the employment that our working people will need to earn their living when a stopping of the present lines of industry comes, either because of internal conditions or through the ending of the war?

#### Manufacturers' Associations

WE are beginning to see a new form of manufacturers' organization. About the middle of last summer the leather producing firms of the country united to assist in carrying on their industry during the period of war. The name adopted for the association was The Tanners' Council. Offices were opened in Washington with the president of the organization as general manager and a competent staff was gathered together.

Within the past few weeks the hardware interests have begun the formation of what is known as the Hardware Manufacturers' Association for War Service. At about the same time the founders also united in an organization for war work. The Tanners' Council, dealing with an industry tremendously affected by war conditions, has endeavored to inventory all of the raw material in this country for the production of leather, has been active in distributing orders between various plants, has assisted the government in obtaining deliveries, has aided in the preparing of reasonable specifications, and has been a medium for the bringing together of the various purchasing agencies of the government so that one would not gain control of all the material of a certain kind and grade to the exclusion of the needs of another. It has also assisted in the determination of prices.

The Hardware Manufacturers' organization presented in chart form shows a large number of divisions spread over the manufacturing of hardware, tools and general supplies made of metal, with an advisory price board and section committee heading each group or division. From a study of the literature put out by this organization the impression is given that at least one of the major ideas behind its founding is business conditions after the war. It seems reasonable to think that the organization found by the founders of the country has similar objects.

It is in order to say two things in this connection: The operation of the Sherman law has perhaps been suspended during war conditions but not as yet for the forthcoming days of peace. Too many manufacturers today are devoting themselves heart and soul to the making of profits, and only incidentally are helping to win the war as a sort of side issue.

### Factory Gardens

A YEAR ago we were just entering the war. The increasing of our food supply was brought home to us as a popular war measure. The sesson was so well advanced that what was done to en-

courage factory gardening had to be done quickly. As might be expected all sorts of results were achieved.

Here and there were factories that handled the matter well, so that their employees raised a great deal of food, at the same time gaining in health, well being and furthering the development of the spirit of the organization of which they were a part. Here and there haphazard, ineffectual efforts brought little that was tangible. But the need for food during 1918 is going to be far greater than it was during 1917. Where one shop garden was essential last year perhaps five must be planted this. The difficulty of getting one or another common article for the home table, and the prevailing high prices, are all the proof that is needed to stimulate present gardening projects.

Two articles in this issue show satisfactory methods for factory gardening in two representative machinetool plants of New England. In one case the workmen bought their own seed, paid for or rented their tools, and did all the work on their gardens. The land only was supplied, plowed and ready for cultivation.

The other plan was coöperative throughout, being managed by a so-called syndicate in which the employees bought shares.

In each case there was a satisfactory return for the labor and time expended, and plans are well under way to repeat the work this year. The example is well worth following.

And it must not be overlooked or minimized that the increase in the spirit of the organization is one of the best of the results of factory gardening.

## Revivification in Industry

ON every side we are being told that the old days—
good or bad—are gone never to return. It is
being said that industry will be different, and employer
and employee will emerge from this war each with a
new viewpoint. But most that is being said and written applies only to material changes, to reconstruction
or rehabilitation. These outgivings do not take into
account the effect of the self-denial and sacrifice that
men and women in American industry are giving as a
part of their contribution to the preservation of this
nation. Will there not come a revivification in industry
as well as reconstruction and rehabilitation? A reader
of Industrial Management believes this and writes as
one who is looking into the future.

"But the reconstruction period will be also a time of revivification! I seem to see more of cooperation and less of competition. I seem to see less of tense striving and more of stopping and looking about and enjoying of things as they are and always have been. I seem to see put in practice a bit of admirable advice which I once read somewhere to the effect that, 'As we journey through life let us live by the way.' I seem to see an earnest desire on the part of employers of labor to want their workmen to 'live by the way.' I seem to see less of grasbing and more of griving.

"I seem to see Christ the Teacher returning into His Own. I seem to see the humanities more actively recognized and the sciences, as such, less seriously taken. I seem to see the spirit of friendliness and love, fellowship and brotherhood rise out of the dead ashes of this conflict, like a l'hornix, and flutter glad wings above a strained, drawn, haggard, muscle-bound, tired and soulspent people—all kinds, all races, all creeds.

"I seem to see old emmities buried and new friendships made. I seem to see the seller voluntarily give the advantage, if there be any, to the buyer. I seem to see a rekindling of idealism, as it once was and so must be again, because life is a circle, and we are life. I seem to see honor and probity, charity and rignteousness so common as to be beyond exaltation. I seem to see the power of money go down, and the things which it represents go the way of all other material things.

"I seem to see you and me, and our neighbor and our neighbor's neighbor, as one, a unit of life recognized as such, going shoulder to shoulder and elbow to elbow gladly along the way of peace, helpfulness and understanding to a goal the like of which never before was known in the history of the world.

"I seem to see all things in the days following the war—the days not only of reconstruction but revivification. God is Infinite in His Wisdom."

### Standards of Unbalance

TO know in an engineering sense we must measure.
To evaluate the results of a manufacturing process
we must count or weigh or gage, or in some way set
what has been accomplished over against some previously established standard.

With the increase in the application of the process of dynamic balance of machine parts comes the need of measuring the degree of the results obtained, and the setting up of permissible limits to show successful practice. Now it is possible to weigh the amount of unbalance of a part that should be in either static or dynamic balance. The unit for static unbalance suggested by Mr. N. W. Akimoff is the ounce-inch; similarly the unit for dynamic unbalance is the ounce-(inch)<sup>2</sup>. The limits suggested for commercial balancing on the ordinary run of high-speed machine parts are: For static unbalance not more than 10,4 ounce-inches; for dynamic unbalance no more than 20,4 ounce-inches; for dynamic unbalance no more dynamic unbala

Some such units and limits deserve to be widely adopted. For nearly a year we have constantly seen efforts to recruit shippard labor. Now the Shipping Board is taking a hand with the purpose of enrolling 250,000 men to be taken into the shipwards as needed.

What is the cause or reason for all these efforts? Surely there must be something deeper than the mere need of mechanics to build ships? The article on page 210 gives us the clue, when Mr. Kelly says that if excessive labor turnover in our shipyards is not checked it will be impossible to draw sufficient mechanics even from other industries to carry on the shipping program.

So the kernel of the trouble is that old industrial enemy "labor turnover."

Once he is recognized, steps can be taken to break down his destructive influence. And the article goes on to present some of the best methods that have already been adopted in leading yards.

Incidentally these same methods deserve to be studied by the managers of plants in other lines of industry, provided their labor turnover is not as low as it should be.

A reader of INDUSTRIAL MANAGEMENT has pointed out that we should not lose through the draft the men who are best fitted to teach in our trade and vocational schools, as they will be needed a little later to prepare unskilled men and women for industrial pursuits. He suggests that this viewpoint should be impressed upon the Federal Board for Vocational Education in Washington, in order that their influence may be thrown on the side of preventing a possible evil.

The difficulty of educating without an adequate teaching force cannot be appreciated by anyone who has not actually taught. The difficulties of training our army now in the cantonments is not understood except by those who have it in charge. England's situation in training her huge volunteer armies after she had lost her expeditionary force following the retreat from Mons was enough to stagger the force of will of even the strongest British statesmen.

In degree, of course, the training of the men and women who will come into our industry before very long is simpler than that of preparing a fighting army, but nevertheless it is of the utmost importance. Most thorough and careful consideration should be given to the claims of those that ask exemption on the grounds that they are engaged in teaching in our trade and vocational schools, and are thus in position to do excellent service in preparing the forthcoming industrial army for its duties.

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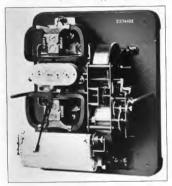
# Factory Equipment News

The Latest Labor-Saving Machinery

#### Recording-Demand Watthour Meter

IN large power requirements it is common to fix the rate of the service upon the time and duration of the occurrence of the maximum demand, as well as upon the amount of this demand. This service has brought the need for a demand neter to give a permanent graphic record. Such a meter is illustrated herewith and is a recent development of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company, East Pittsbugh, Pennsylvania.

This instrument, known as type RA, in one unit



WESTINGHOUSE RECORDING-DEMAND METER

measures both the kilowatt-hours consumed and the metgrated demand. It indicates on a four-counter dial the total kilowatt-hours consumed and records on a graphic record the integrated demand under predetermined time intervals. The measuring and recording elements are mechanically inter-councered; there are no electrical contacts to become inoperative. The recording element is controlled by a high-grade clock. The measuring element is the standard Westinghouse type OA wathour meter with special gear train.

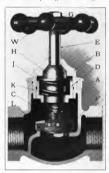
#### Sandusky Packless Valve

THE feature of the globe valve illustrated below is the absence of all packing around the stem. It is one of the new line being manufactured and introduced by the Sandusky Packless Valve Company, Sandusky,

In place of the usual packing nut or gland the stem, center piece and bonnet when in contact form a ground

join between the rounding or hemispherical surface of the center piece and the inside tapered surface of the bonnet. A helical spring around the stem presses against the lower flange of the center piece holding this ground joint tight. The nut containing the spring serves to hold the lower end of the stem central with the body of the valve, and also comes in contact with the flange of the center piece so that the ground joint remains tight regardless of the downward or side pressure of the hand-wheel.

The lower end of the stem has a double left-hand Acme thread. The opening and closing of the valve



SANDUSKY PACKLESS VALVE

is done by the threaded stem of the disc holder which fits in the lower end of the stem. Guides on the disc holder engage another guide on each side of the body preventing the disc holder from turning when the hand-wheel is turned so that the two threads must function and raise the disc from the seat. The disc is held in place in the holder by means of a lock nut so that it can be renewed if necessary without removing the valve from the pipe line.

#### 15-inch Crawford Lathe

Tille latest model of the Crawford lathe manufactured by the Joseph Crawford, Jr., Company, Erie, Pennsylvania, is shown in the accompanying illustration. Listed as a 15-inch lathe it swings over the ways manufactured by the companying of the companying in num distance between centers is 34 inches; the back gear ratio is 8½ to 1, and the gear box is arranged to cut threads from 2 to 210 per inch. The centers are Morse taper No. 3, and the spindle sleeve is Morse taper No. 3,

The general features of construction follow well established design. The hollow spindle is made from a carbon-steel forging finished and ground; the bearings are bronze bushed; both the longitudinal and cross feeds are friction driven and can be quickly thrown in or out. The cross feed screw is provided with micrometer adjustment.



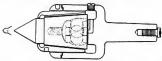
For cutting threads the lead screw is used and by shifting the position of the two handles on the feed box 48 different speeds for threading and feeding can be obtained. A separate rod is provided for the feeding mechanism.

The lathe can be provided with a taper turning attachment, and a spiral relieving attachment to do both inside and outside relieving on either right-hand or left-hand work or any number of flutes from 2 to 28 inclusive. Four cams are furnished, each arranged to relieve 3/32 inch in depth.

The regular equipment includes a double friction countershaft, two face plates, steady and follow rests and wrenches.

#### Ballbearing Lathe Center

THE ballbearing lathe center shown herewith has been developed for the use of metal spinners and wood turners. The central revolving stem is large to give radial end support. It has a floating tri-thrust ballbearing. A stem cap or bearing is provided with oil channels and drip retainer, and is adjustable in the housing by means of a lock ring. The oil chamber



is connected with both stem and ballbearing. The shank is in one piece with the housing, and supplied with an extension rod for knock-out. This tool is manufactured by J. A. Moller of New Rochelle, N. Y.

#### Master Pressure Gages

WO master pressure gages have recently been placed on the market by the Ashton Valve Company, Boston, Mass. One of these, the master pilot pressure gage, is shown herewith.

The other type, known as the Standard master pressure gage, is intended for use in large power plants where it is desirable to have a gage that can be readily from any location, and wherefrom the steam pressure can be easily read. When installed at one end of a boiler or engine room the single dial style is used, but if the location is at the center of the room the double dial style is preferable. To provide for poorly lighted applications, or night service, these gages are made with a specially illuminated dial of opal glass so ar-



ASHTON MASTER PRESSURE GAGE

ranged that electric lamps can be inserted inside of the gage thus illuminating the back of the dial, and making it possible to see the indicating hand and graduations at all times.

The master pilot pressure gage illustrated differs from the standard master gage by having a dial graduated to show only a pressure scale such as is used in the ordinary range of working purposes.

#### A Turbo Pump Valve

THE principle behind the Worden pump valve is that wear is prevented for the valve will never seat successively twice in the same place. Several pockets, as shown in the illustration cause the valve to rotate.



TURBO PUMP VALVE

One side of each pocket is at an acute angle and the other is square with the face. The action of the liquid as it rises upward through the valve seat is to strike the square side of the pocket and cause the valve to turn.

This action of the valve whereby it does not seat

twice in the same place successively tends to bring about a minimum of wear and a condition that is selfcleaning.

The valve is a product of the John-Roger Company, Coopersville, Mich.

Vertical Rotative Dry Vacuum Pump
To meet the demand of shipbuilders and the designers of power plants who are anxious to save as
much space as possible a vertical type of dry vacuum

VERTICAL TYPE DRY VACUUM PUMP

pump has been brought out by the Wheeler Condenser & Engineering Company of Cartert, N. J., and is illustrated herewith. Where much condensing is to be done and where high vacuum must be maintained a motor or turbine-driven centrifugal pump can easily take care of the condensate while the pump shown withdraws the air. As the illustration shows the inlet valves of this pump are of the semi-rotative type and are so manipulated by the valve gear as to draw air from the condenser during full stroke. Clearance difficulties are eliminated by providing ports which register with an equalizing passage. The valves are of the poppet type and are easily accessible. The valve arrangement is such as to give perfect drainage at all times.

#### Moloch Underfeed Stoker

A STOKER constructed along established lines embodying the principle of underfeed firing, in which the coal is brought from beneath and pushed up through the distillation and coking zone of the fire, is illustrated in Figures 1 and 2. Of these, the first illustration shows a general view of the completed stoker as applied to boilers and furnaces for industrial purposes. Figure 2 is a sectional View through the cylinder and operating mechanism. This stoker is a product of the Moloch Stoker Company, Chicago, Illinois. Important features of its design are the mechanical arrangement of its parts and the operation of the timing device developed with the purpose of decreasing the amount of steam necessary actually to operate the stoker itself. The main cylinder is larged and jacketed to reduce condensation. The cylinder and all parts connected with it, including the rann and pusher rod, can be removed from the ram case by unbolting the cylinder and pulling the mechanism through the ram case. This can be done without disconnecting any of the steam pipes.



MOLOCH UNDERFEED STOKER

Side plates provided below the hopper can be taken off and obstructions removed from in front of the ram, should any be found. This can be done without removing the coal from the hopper or the hopper itself.

The retort is made in sections to prevent cracking of the main body. As the upper parts holding the tuyere block are sectional they are easily removed. The dead plates are made in sections to prevent warping.

Referring to Figure 2, it will be seen that the main operating valve, placed on the ram case, consists of two steam thrown valves in one casing, each set of pistons taking care of its respective end of the cylinder. The pistons are held in position by means of an overbalancing area of the larger against the smaller.

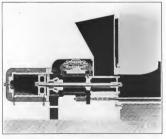


FIG. 2. SECTION OF STOKER MECHANISM

In the position of the ram as shown in Figure 2, to make an operating cycle the clamber of the operating valve nearest the cylinder end is thrown open to exhaust by the timer valve thus relieving the pressure of the large piston at that end and causing the pressure of the two smaller pistons to drive the valve forward until the small piston passes the stoker port, thus connecting this with the main steam chamber in the cylinder. This action drives the ram back, and when it comes practically to the end of its stroke the pin on the ram cases engages with the lever and the motion of the ram causes the main valve to be pushed back to its seat thus cutting off the steam supply to the main cylinder. The exhaust from the timer valve is then shut off and steam at boiler pressure again admitted in the chamber of the larger piston thus holding this valve in its normal position without the aid of the pin on the arm.

The same operation then takes place with the other end of the pistons of the main operating valve, thus bringing the ram back into the position shown in the illustration when the machine is ready for the next cycle.

Eight gradations of speed are available from zero to maximum. These are all obtained by moving the handle of the timing device to various holes corresponding with the speeds desired. The main shaft of the timer mechanism is so arranged that by using an ordinary monkey wrench the timer valve can be operated by hand without throwing the mechanism into operation.

#### Thread Gage Testing Machine

A COMPARATOR for the comparison of working thread gage and master thread gage has been developed by the Coats Machine Tool Company, Inc.,



THREAD GAGE TESTING MACHINE

New York City, by applying a Prestwich fluid gage to a Wilhelm pitch diameter comparator. This instrument may also be used for establishing the value of a master gage by using it in combination with swedish gages or other verified standard blocks. The machine consists of a lasse carrying an upright overhanging standard or column. In the base is set a true lapped steel plate, which is set square with a hole through the standard in which slides a bar carrying the supper measuring points in the form of a double roll. These measuring points rest on both walls of the upper part of the thread to be

Underneath the thread gage that is being measured are five-sided parallel blocks made with the same degree of accuracy as standard space blocks, the two upper surfaces coming together at an angle equalling the angle of the thread to be measured. These blocks are set on the lapped steel base plate at the base of the instrument and the gage rests upon these.

Accuracy of reading is obtained by use of a Prestwich fluid gage. The upper thread measuring roll is carried on the lower end of a vertically slidable spindle. The upper end of the spindle rests on the upper part of the diaphragm of the fluid gage, and in this way gives a reading on the gage column.

After a thread gage has been measured, if a second one is inserted into the instrument and is of the same size the fluid gage will give the same reading. If the second thread gage is larger the fluid gage reading will be higher than before, and if it is smaller the indicating

column of the fluid gage will not rise as high as before. The instrument has a capacity for all thread gages from ½ to to inches in diameter. This large size comparator has been developed for the use of the United States Government in the manufacture of munitions. A similar instrument for the same purpose having a smaller ranger is also manufactured.

#### 48-inch Relief Valve

THE accompanying illustration shows a horizontal exhaust relief valve recently made by the G, M. Davis Regulator Company, Chicago, Illinois. It is to be used as a safety release for the condenser on a new



DAVIS 48-INCH RELIEF VALVE

turbine unit. It has a valve disc 48 inches in diameter; it measures 7 feet 5 inches face to face of the flanges and weighs 4000 pounds. The valve disc has a bearing metal face, which seats on a brass ring. The valve is water sealed and is double cushioned with brass-lined dash pots above and below the disc. The valve stem is 3½ inches in diameter.

#### New Britain Automatics

FIGURE t illustrates size 3. New Britain multiple spindle chucking machine, work-revolving type. This machine although designed to handle much the same variety of work as regular single-head automatic

same variety of work as regular single-head automatic chucking machines has two points of difference; namely, (a) the work is held and revolved by the spindles, the tools being fixed in the tool slide; (b) the use of crossible tools is rendered possible, a feature lacking in the type where the work is held stationary. The machine has six spindles of hammer forged, heat treated, hardened and ground chrome-nickel steel. The spindle



FIG. 1. MULTIPLE SPINDLE CHUCKING MACHINE

bearings are of bronze, ground straight inside and tapered outside. To retain the original accuracy of the machine provision is made for taking up wear in the bearings without disturbing their alignment; ball thrust collars are provided on the spindles to take the end thrust of the cutting tools; change gears provide five rates of spindle speeds and twelve variations of food.

The base of the machine forming the chip pan extends to the floor without legs. That portion of the bed directly beneath the work has a 45 degree incline toward the back so that chips are at once carried to the side. At this point the chip pan is widest and slopes toward the rear where is located a strainer and oil well from which oil is taken for distribution to the work. The whole distributing system is designed to avoid as nuch external piping as possible. This is accomplished by conveying the oil through the inside of the toolside into a chamber surrounding the driving shaft bushing, from this point it is tapped oil at the circumference through short tubes to the individual tools. The oil pump is driven at constant speed.

Hand control levers in easy reach of the operator enable the power feed to be instantly started or stopped. A hand-feed rank is provided for testing all feed movements and tool positions. To insure protection to the operator, the spindle is automatically disconnected from the drive during loading and unloading of the chucks.

The indexing mechanism is patterned after the Geneva stop motion: the differential motion index is requilarly fitted to this machine and indexes the spindle cylinder and operates the tool-slide at high speed when the tools have finished cutting; special draw-in spring collets are employed which operate satisfactorily where pieces do not show a variation exceeding 1/32 inch in diameter; if desired the machine may be equipped with a special air-chucking attachuneut; a threading attachment may be installed in fourth tool slide position; the tool slide cam is laminated similar to a leaf spring, this permits of adjustment of one can to all lengths of work within the capacity of the machine.

As the direction of rotation of spindle is right-handed, standard tools, drills, reamers, etc., are used. Figure 2 shows another new automatic, the New Britain sextuple automatic bar machine for such work as blanking rolls, sleeves, couplings, and the like.

In many respects this six-spindle automatic machine is similar in construction to the New Britain six-spindle automatic machine described above. However, the cylinder spindle does not index as the machine is designed to feed, drill, chamfer and cut off in each position. On simple work this makes possible production



FIG. 2. SEXTUPLE AUTOMATIC BAR MACHINE

from six spindles instead of from one as on singlespindle machines,

The general features of the spindles, spindle bearings and ball thrusts are the same as on the machine previously described. The change gears provide six rates of spindle speeds and a separate system of change gears is provided for effecting changes in feed by varying the speed of the cam shaft.

The differential motion, tool-slide, tool-slide cam, base, oil distributing system and hand control levers are the same in this design as in the machine first described.

Standard drills are used as the direction of the spindle rotation is right handed. The machine may be equipped for either single belt or motor drive,

Both of these machines are recent products of the New Britain Machine Company, New Britain, Connections

#### "Wisconsin" Universal Grinder

THE Wisconsin universal grinder has been designed to handle all kinds of tool and cutter grinding, as well as cylindrical, internal and surface grinding within the limits of its capacity.

The base of the machine is 24 inches square at the bottom, with a door at the back to give access to shelf space for the storage of tools and fixtures. The column is of a box section, carrying the vertical slide for the knee and supporting in a flange, as shown, the bronze nut for the knee elevating screw. Wheel spindle head is attached directly to upper end of the column.

The knee is of a box section entirely enclosed, except for the opening for the elevating screw. On one side is a tee slot carrying the stops for the cross feed. The saddle is substantially ribbed and fitted to the knee with a long bearing.

The table is supported on a sub-table giving a cylindrical bearing at the center and supporting pads at the ends. This table can swivel on degrees each way, and is graduated both in degrees at the center and for tapers per foot. The table surface is 5 inches wide by 36 inches long; the longitudinal table movement 20 inches; transcript table movement 8 inches; tertical table movement 8 inches; vertical table movement 9 inches; swing of centers 10 inches in diameter; the internal grinding attachment grinds holes 9/16 inch diameter; and larger, by 2 inches deep.



UNIVERSAL GRINDER

This machine is manufactured by the Dauber-Kratsch Co., Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

#### No. 2 Surface Grinder

AN automatic surface grinder of the knee-and-column type manufactured by the Noble & West-



NO. 2. SURFACE GRINDER

brook Manufacturing Company of Hartford, Connecticut, is herewith shown.

The general features of construction follow standard design. Care has been made to protect all working parts from dust. The mechanism for raising and lowering the table is provided with ball thrust bearings; micrometer dials control the movement of the feeds. The spindle is made of crucible steel, and all slides and the spindle have take-up bearings. The cross slide is equipped with an automatic stop as a safeguard and the platen can be started or stopped instantly by using the hand lever and without stopping the spindle or other parts of the machine.

The working surface of the table is 8 x 20 inches in size; distance from the center of the spindle to the top of the table 13½ inches, the spindle flanges are adapted

#### Vertical Disk Grinding Machine

A VERTICAL disk grinding machine embodying the features of a self-contained hoisting attachment for handling heavy work, a dust exhaust system, and means for adapting the machine for direct motor drive,



has recently been brought out by the Gardner Machine Company, Beloit, Wisconsin. The accompanying illustration shows these general features.

The machine is equipped with a disk wheel 33 inches in diameter designed for heavy grinding. This wheel is supported by a cast-iron flange 20 inches in diameter and 135 inches blick, supported on the upper end of a vertical spindle 355 inches in diameter. This sphalle is driven by a pair of hardened steel bevel gears. The spindle thrust is taken on self-aligning radial ball bearings. The hoisting attachment consists of a ½-ton land-operated chain hoist mounted on a trolley and swinging itb. The supporting column is rigidly attached.

The dust exhaust system includes a belt driven fan whose suction manifold is connected through four openings with the bottom of a dust channel cast into the base of the machine, around and just below the edge of the wheel. A detachable guard ring permits the removal of coarse particles.

### Personal and Business Items

In its bulletin entitled "Fundamentals of Illumination Design," the Engineering Department of the National Lamp Works of the General Electric Company has, presented in simple and readable language a discussion of the broad principles which underlie Illuminating engineering practice. It is a bulletin which should prove of value to schools and colleges, but its usefulness is not limited to students, however, for much of the material presented is the result of recent investigations, and the data will bear the closets scrutiny of the practicing illuminating engineers. Industrial lighting, light projection, protective lighting, etc., are taken up.

Mr. Guy E. Tripp, of New York, Chairman of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company, has been appointed chief of the Production Division of the Ordnance Bureau of the War Department. He is entrusted with the task of supervising and stimulating the production of all ordnance material and supplies. He has been given a commission with the rank of Colonel.

Ford, Bacon & Davis, Engineers, New York, N. Y., announce the formation of the Ford, Bacon & Davis Corporation, organized for the purpose of conducting a general contracting business, with particular reference to industrial, public utility and power plants, steam and street raincads, docks, steamship and railway terminal facilities, subways, tunnels, hydro-electric and irrigation projects. In effect this means the continuance in corporate form of construction work which heretofore has been handled by the firm direct.

Mr. John D. Stout has been appointed Chicago representative for the Terry Steam Turbine Company of Hartford, Conn. Mr. Stout was at one time Assistant Engineer of the Terry Steam Turbine Company, and was recently transferred from the New York office where he was Assistant Manager.

. . . . . The Cleveland Automatic Machine Tool Company, of Cleveland, Ohio, has recently published for complimentary distribution an attractive booklet entitled "31 Articles by J. P. Brophy." A sub-title states that these deal with mechanical information, municipal problems, political problems, human qualities, humor, war and general business administration. Most of them have been published from time to time in the technical and trade papers. Mr. Brophy's writings always attract attention for he is a man of conviction and writes what he believes. Many of his comments run counter to opinions freely expressed in business circles; as for instance, his skepticism as to the era of large business immediately after the close of the war. All of these opinions are backed up by facts and at once command attention. Any industrial manager will find that it is well worth-while to read this little book.

Mr. J. H. Pardee, President of the J. G. White Management Corporation, New York, and Mr. J. P. Ripley, Engineer, have returned to New York from a general inspection of the Manila Electric Railroad & Light Company, and other interests in the Philippine Islands operated by The J. G. White Management Corporation.

Technical information regarding Bakelite Micarta-D

Gears is contained in a twelve-page pamphlet recently published by the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company of East Pittsburgh, Pa. The distinctive features of this material for noiseless gears and pinions are listed together with its physical properties. Methods of turning and drilling and gear cutting are described and illustrated with halftones and drawings. Methods of attaching to the driving shaft which have proved suitable for gears of all sizes are shown, and tables of pitch, tech and other gear data are also given. There are formulas for horsepower rating, the amount of power which can be transmitted through press fits and for calculating other variables in gear practice.

An attractive catalog of grinding and polishing machinery has just been issued by the Gardner Machine Company, Beloit, Wis. In addition to illustrating, describing and giving general information in regard to their line of grinding machines, accessories and supplies, there are several pages of general information in regard to the use of abrasive disks. The catalog is attractively printed, containing 115 pages.

Mr. George L. Hedges has resigned his position with the Kelman Electric & Manufacturing Company, of Los Angeles, Cal., to report at Washington, D. C., for active duty as First Lieutenant in the Officer's Reserve Corps, Ordnance Department.

The Griscom-Russell Company, New York City, N. Y., have just published a small folder illustrating and briefly describing their line of power plant equipment which includes feed water heaters, oil heaters, oil coolers, evaporators, expansion joints, grease extractors, steam and oil separators and Russell steam engines.

Catalogue 8-E has just been issued by the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company, East Pittsburgh, Penn, describing all of the industrial electric heating apparatus manufactured by that firm. The line includes steel clad heaters for many industrial processes, immersion type water heaters, stoves or various forms, chocolate watmers, tailors' irons and electric oven heaters for use in enameling.

Mr. E. F. Lake, metallurgical engineer, has taken the position of assistant superintendent of the Rich Tool Company, Chicago, Illinois. The company is manufacturing one piece valves from high speed steel for airplane and automobile engines.

The Hoppes Manufacturing Company, Springfield, Ohio, announces the recent appointment of Mr. W. R. Jennison as their Southeastern representative. He will handle the entire line of the firm's products in that district with headquarters at 407 Bisbee Building, Jacksonville, Florida.

At the annual meeting of the Engineering Society of York, Penn., held recently, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, James Rudisit!, Vice-President, Chanuery D. Bond; Secretary, M. Haller Frey, Polack Building; Treasurer, Harold A. Russell; Directors; George A. Jessop, Charles L. Berger and Howard J. Longenecker.

The Western Efficiency Society has elected the following officers for 1918: President, F. A. Carlisle: First Vice-President, S. E. Stout: Second Vice-President, J. R. Shea: Secretary and Treasurer, George C. Dent.

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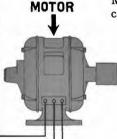
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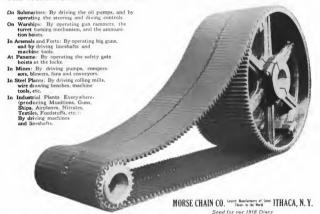
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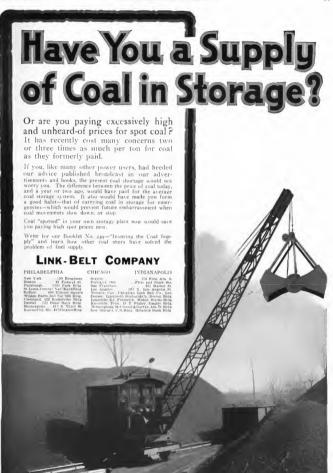
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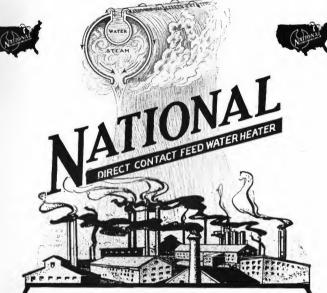
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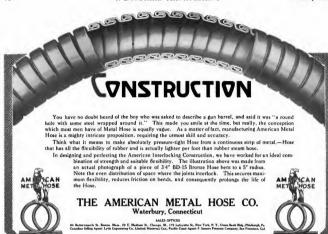
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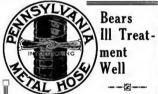
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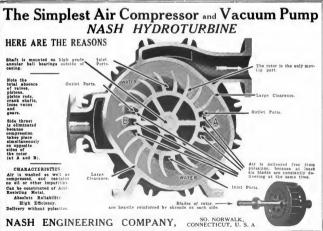
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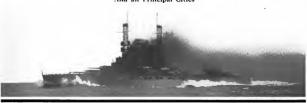
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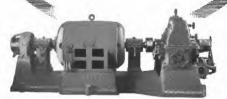
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